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DEPORTATIONS GO ON, BUT NOT SO OPENLY

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

BERNE—The deportation of Jews from Hungary is still continuing on an unprecedented scale despite Regent Nicholas Horthy's recent promise to the Red Cross that no more Jews would be deported, it was reliably learned here this week. Letters reaching Switzerland from Hungary written during the last days of July support this report, adding that the moving of Jews by Hungarian officials is now being accomplishd at night.

A Budapest report also tells of a group of women lying flat on the steps of a church and urging the priests to intervene and save the Jews "in order to distract God's wrath from the unhappy Hungarian people." The belief that God will wreck venegance on Hungary unless the religious prosecution is stopped is a common one among the Hungarian people.

Hungarian Population Protests Deportations

GENEVA—Clashes between the Hungarian population and the police were reported here from a number of towns in Hungary as result of mass-demonstrations held there against the deportations of Jews.

The demonstrations, which broke out in various parts of Hungary in th vicinity of Jewish ghettos and concentration camps, are believed here to have been inspired by important Hungarian personalities in Budapest. It is well known here that leading personalities in Budapest have been recently protesting to the Hungarian government against the mistreatment of Jews and have been drawing the attention of cabinet members to the consequences which the anti-Jewish deportations might have for the whole country.

Reports reaching here from Budapest reveal that deportations of Jews from rural districts are still being continued. No mass-deportations are taking place, however, from Budapest because the population in the Hungarian capital is threatening to react with protest demonstrations, one of the reports states.

Underground Says Executions Continue

Special

LONDON—Hungarian Jews, unaware of the fate which awaits them, are still being lured to extermination camps in the Nazi-held part of Poland under various pretexts, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency was informed here by an emissary of the Polish underground movement who left occupied Poland only a week ago.

"Despite the impression that the Hungarian government is trying to spread abroad, that the mass-deportations of Jews from Hungary have been suspended, trainloads of Hungarian Jews continued to arrive at the Oswiecim extermination camp in Poland every day during the week before I left," the underground envoy stated.

FT. LAUDERDALE DOCTOR SAYS REALTORS RESPONSIBLE FOR BIAS

Special

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla.—A charge that "property owners are forced into a regimented acquiescence by a Bund of realtors who have resolved by hook or crook to practice a mercenary discrimination against Jews" is made by Dr. Albert A. Shapira, retired physician of this city, writing in the monthly bulletin of Temple Emanuel here. Arthur Griffin, Miami Herald columnist, quoted the charge last week.

"From a most reliable source, Dr. Shapira writes, "we know that many 'restricted clientent' property owners here have no religious bias."

Even Jewish army or navy men are refused rental, Dr. Shapira declares. "Yes, here in our own city there are those who unblushingly disgrace themselves and commit the unpardonable sin, the treasonable crime of slamming their doors in the faces of Jewish men and women in uniform, whether holders of commissions or citations or medals or not."

SAY KADDISH; BODIES DUG UP

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

ROME—Memorial services were held in the Great Synagogue here this week for the 320 Roman citizens who were executed by the Germans in the Fosse Ardeatine catacombs in reprisal for a bombing which killed 32 German. It is known that at least 39, and possibly more, of the hostages were Jewish. Their bodies are being exhumed at present and there is evidence that many were buried while still alive.

Anti-Semite Nabbed On Blackmail Charge

Special

NEW YORK—Edwin Perry Banta, 73, anti-Semitic, pro-Nazi worker, was being held in $1,500 bail on charges of conspiracy in connection with an attempt to blackmail John Roy Carlson, author of "Under Cover." June Kelly, 21, who was employed by Banta, told police officials that he had persuaded her to bring charges of criminal attack against Carlson, who visited her while investigating the fascist.

Dr. Nahum Goldman chairman of the Administrative Committee and Baruch Zuckerman member of the Executive Committee of the World Jewish Congress left Friday (today) for Mexico on behalf of the World Jewish Congress.

Hunt for Relatives Coordinated

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

NEW YORK—Establishment of Central Location Index, Inc., as a channel through which seven nationally known organizations will seek to locate persons displaced by war and whose whereabouts are unknown, was announced here this week by Moses A. Leavitt, president of the newly created agency.

The seven organizations which have combined to establish this cooperative service are the American Committee for Christian Refugees, American Friends Service Committee, the Joint Distribution Committee, Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid Society, International Migration Service, National Council of Jewish Women and National Refugee Service, Inc.

Central Location Index, which will be housed in New York city, will speed up clearance of the names of hundreds of thousands of persons who are now being sought by relatives and friends in this country. The Index will not deal directly with individual applicants, but persons desiring to apply for location service can do so through local agencies. The extensive overseas facilities of the member agencies, of the International Red Cross and of public and semi-public bodies will be enlisted in the location of displaced people as rapidly as changing conditions permit.

Dr. Asher Katz Drowns Near Terre Haute

Special

TERRE HAUTE—Dr. Asher T. Katz, D. D., executive secretary of the Chicago branch of the American Jewish Congress, met a tragic death by drowning in Carpenter Lake near Cloverland, Ind., Monday afternoon.

The Chicago rabbi had arrived in Terre Haute the same day to discuss the affairs of the American Jewish Congress with Rabbi J. Marshall Taxay. They had gone to the lake for the afternoon and had been swimming for some time when Dr. Katz decided to swim once more across a neck of the lake. He evidently became exhausted and was heard to call for help several times, but his body had sunk before any attempts could be made to rescue him.

Brazil and Terre Haute, Ind. fire departments and first aid squads, deputy sheriffs and state police officers arrived on the scene, and the body was recovered at 5 o'clock in the evening by Jack Conway of Seelyville, Ind., in fourteen feet of water. First aid and artificial respiration were futile.

Rabbi Katz was born in Winnipeg, Canada, Mar. 13, 1915. The body was taken to Green Bay, Wis., the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Katz.

Rabbi Katz was formerly assistant rabbi of Temple Isaiah Israel, Chicago, before his appointment

REPORT UNEASINESS DURING STRIKE

By FRED K. SHECKTOR
Jewish Post Correspondent

PHILADELPHIA—A survey made by this reporter several days after the transportation strike here revealed uneasiness was prevalent among the city's rabbis.

None of them openly admitted the Jews would be affected or involved, either during the strike or after. But most of them did state that racial issues were not legal cause for a strike. And if men would protest against improving the status of the negro, they would surely rise against other minorities for other equally invalid reasons.

Might Take Advantage of Situation

Rabbi Maxwell Farber, president of the Board of Jewish Ministers of Philadelphia, expressed the hope there would be no race riots after army men are removed from the trolleys.

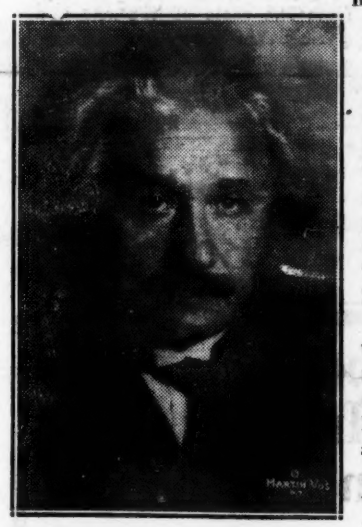
"It would seem certain," Rabbi Farber said, "that certain people would attempt to take advantage of the situation, and would sack and loot Jewish sections of the city. These renegades would be white, but the blame would be placed upon the negro.

Near or in Jewish Sections

He went on: "And did you notice, in the few disturbances we had before the army seized the PTC, the raided areas either bordered on, or were, Jewish neighborhoods?" Rabbi Farber declared that when the next race riots will come, "God forbid they should," it will be on a much larger scale. The taste of success leads to taking a larger bite, he philosophized.

Other rabbis throughout the city agreed, at least in principle. Most all of them noted the proximity to Jewish neighborhoods of the several disturbances in which windows were smashed and property despoiled during the early stages of the strike. Some said, "the complete story has not been told," implying that desire for a chance to slap both the Jew and the negro at the same time was part of the original plan.

EINSTEIN REPUDIATES BIOGRAPHY WRITTEN BY SON-IN-LAW



PROF. EINSTEIN

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

NEW YORK—Professor Albert Einstein repudiated the new biography of himself, "Einstein—An Intimate Study of a Great Man," written by his former son-in-law, Dimitri Marianoff, in collaboration with Palma Wayne. Professor Einstein said he took the action with great reluctance, but said that the work is "generally unreliable." The book was published on July 22 by Doubleday, Doran.

Professor Einstein, speaking through his secretary, said he has not seen the book as a whole, but only sections of it. These sections, he said, however, "are not true at all." Mr. Marianoff, Professor Einstein, said, is not competent to write a biography of a mathematical physicist, does not have the mental capacity to write such a work, not being a mathematician, and had no moral right to publish it.

Bulgaria May Surrender Drops Anti-Jewish Laws

By PAT FRANK

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency Correspondent)

ANKARA — All anti-Jewish measures were suspended this week by the Bulgarian Government in Varna, Burgas and other cities along the Black Sea as a result of negotiations between the Allies and Bulgaria for the latter's surrender, it was reliably learned here.

The restoration of full right to Jews was one of the conditions in the preliminary terms for surrender which British-American military authorities presented to the Bulgarian Government through neutral channels. The terms were backed by the Soviet Government through its diplomats in Sofia and were reported to have been accepted by Bulgaria.

The acceptance by Bulgaria of the Allied terms will also effect the Jews in Hungary and Rumania, it was predicted here. Rumania, facing encirclement, is reported to be modifying its anti-Jewish policy to pave the way for surrender, while the pro-Nazi Hungarian Government, throughly frightened, is attempting to dodge the blame for the ruthless deportations of Jews and is ready to place moderate elements in its cabinet.

Buy War Bonds

250 Jews Die As Nazis Sink Ship

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

ANKARA—The sinking of the 200-ton Turkish motor ship Mefcure in which more than 250 Jewish refugees perished in the waters of the Black Sea on their way from the Rumanian port of Constanza to Turkey may mean the end of further transportation of refugees aboard Turkish ships, it was stated here.

The break of diplomatic relations between Turkey and Germany was followed by an order directing all Turkish ships home from foreign ports. There is no indication that this order will be relaxed, especially after the loss of the Mefcure. Meanwhile two other Turkish ships carrying 815 Jewish refugees arrived safely this week from Rumania at the Igneada harbor.

It was ascertained here that the majority of the refugees who lost their lives this week on the Mefcure were Polish and Rumanian Jews. Only five of the refugees and six members of the crew survived. Since they are confined to a military zone, inaccessible to correspondents, details on the attack of the ship are lacking.

According to information available here, the Mefcure was sunk by shell-fire seven miles off the Turko-Bulgar border. (In London, the British news agency Reuter reported that the Mefcure was torpedoed by an unidentified submarine and 277 Jewish refugees perished when the ship went down.)

Laski Escapes Death, Falls Five Floors

LONDON—Harold J. Laski, famous leftwing British economist, narrowly escaped death when the bed in which he was sleeping fell five stories in a hotel which had been struck by a robot bomb. The bed landed right side up with the professor still in it—wide awake but unhurt.

SHOOT VICHY EXPERT ON JEWS

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

ZURICH — George Montandon, described by the German Transocean Agency as "a leading French expert on the Jewish question," has been shot and seriously wounded by French patriots, it was reported here. Montandon, who is on the staff of the Vichy Commissariat for Jewish Affairs, and on the faculty of the "Research Institute on the Jewish Question," was shot in his Paris home by three men who broke into the apartment. His wife was killed during the fracas.

WOUNDED LIEUTENANT ON PLANE LOST AT SEA

Special

PHILADELPHIA—A paratroop officer from here who landed in France on D-Day and was wounded in Normandy on June 12 was a patient aboard the army hospital plane lost at sea recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Lavenson, Jenkintown, learned their son, Lt. George Lavenson, 27, was among the 18 casualties aboard. Lt. Lavenson's father conducts an advertising agency here. Lt. Lavenson has two brothers, Captain James H., 25, Barksdale Field, La., and Private Jay, Jr., 21 McDill Field, Fla. Both in the air forces.

Gentile League Loses Wisconsin Charter

Special

MADISON, Wis.—The charter of the Gentile League was voided here when Judge Alvin C. Reis withdrew the franchise it held from the state of Wisconsin, declaring that it was "a conspiracy under cloak to injure members of the Jewish faith."

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Oswego Welcomes Refugees

Jewish Reporter Calls Out "Shalom" To Newcomers

Special

NEW YORK — The thirty-odd reporters and photographers watched silently as the boat bringing the 984 refugees to temporary asylum in this country docked at the Hoboken, N. J. pier last Friday. The rails were lined with tense, anxious people. In the Friday evening twilight you could see them dressed in shabby, tattered clothes. They peered down silently at the people on the dock.

One of the Jewish reporters called out cheerfully to the refugees, "Shalom!" A few other reporters joined in and then, as though they had learned for the first time that they were looking at friends, the refugees shouted back, "Shalom!" and "Shabbat Shalom." (Good Sabbath). They waved and a number of them kept shouting, "Hello, America, Hello."

In groups of twenty they were led by the Army to special trains which brought them next morning to Fort Ontario.

Show Little Emotion

The did not sing nor dance as they walked to the trains. Nor did they smile. Their faces were thin and hollow and some looked just a little frightened. They carried battered suitcases, containing the meager earthly possessions they had managed somehow to save from their years of wandering in Europe's network of concentration camps.

Some of the boys and girls had no shoes. Others wore scanty bathing trunks, in which they had made the arduous two-week ocean journey from Naples, Italy, aboard an Army transport. One elderly Jew was asked how it felt to have set foot on American soil. His smile was wistful. He said in a low voice, "Where the Lord leads there do I follow."

The refugees arrived at the Emergency Refugee Shelter early last Saturday morning and were immediately served a hearty, welcoming breakfast which included such foods as eggs and orange juice, "luxuries" that these unfortunate victims had not seen in years. In one case, some of the children did not even know what an egg was. When the kindly residents of Oswego, many of whom volunteered their services as guides and waiters, served the refugees corn flakes and milk, there was general confusion. No one knew what to do with this unusual, American food—but when the mystery was solved, there was a consensus of opinion that it was delicious.

First Peaceful Sabbath

The day went swiftly: apartments for families and beds for unattached persons in dormitories were assigned, and other formalities were efficiently cleared. Three mmbers of the staff of the National Refugee Service worked hard all day as interpreters and counsellors. By noontime, it was apparent that a distinct change of temperament had come over the refugees.

Here and there you noticed people smiling and laughing something which had been entirely lacking the night before. In spite of their ragged garments, the refugees immediately set about trying to spruce up. Men shaved, mothers washed their children's peaked faces, young girls applied lipstick.

Toward evening, the promenade which had resounded only a short time ago to the tune of soldiers marching was filled with couples strolling and chatting cheerfully. Over on a patch of cool grass, a group of yarmulke wearing Polish Chassidim discussed the day's events. For many this was the first peaceful Sabbath they had enjoyed in a long while.

Services, Kosher Food Arranged; A Wedding Set

Special

OSWEGO, N. Y.—With a full week having gone by since they landed aboard an army transport at Hoboken, N. J., 1,000 refugees, of whom 918 are Jews, have already made themselves at home at this U. S. government refugee shelter at Fort Ontario here.

The second Sabbath service will be held tomorrow, the first wedding is being arranged, and the newcomers are settling down to what will be their daily lives for the duration.

Get Kosher Food

Kosher food was being provided for the Orthodox Jews at the shelter, and a kosher kitchen will be set up soon. The youngest resident of Fort Ontario is an infant born just before the army transports left Italy, and the oldest is 82 years old. Two hundred twenty-five of the refugees are children. One passenger on the transport, a 6-month-old child, died of malnutrition the day before the ship reached New York.

The U. S. government is giving the refugees allowances ranging from $4.50 to $8.50.

Oswego welcomed the shelter guests at a formal reception on the parade grounds. Sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, the welcome started with speeches assuring the people of 19 different nationalities that this upstate city was happy to have them. It ended with the old American custom of a picnic of punch and ice cream.

Three Faiths Join in Welcome

Clergymen of three faiths spoke to the people of the American concept of freedom of religion. They were Father J. J. Davern, Roman Catholic; Rabbi Sidney Bialik, Jewish, and the Rev. A. Sidney Lowrie, Protestant.

The B'nai B'rith, the National Refugee Service and the Jewish Welfare Board, among other Jewish groups, joined in providing for many of the needs of the refugees.

Many of the newcomers were busy locating their United States relatives. Names of the newcomers are available and inquiries may be directed to the National Refugee Service, 130 Centre Street, New York 13, N. Y.

Writer Tells Activity Of Nationalist Group

Special

NEW YORK — Declaring that Gerald L. K. Smith refused to join the new nationalist group aimed at defeating the Democratic ticket because he would have to forswear the limelight for the time being, Victor Riesel, labor editor of the New York Post, charges that Father Coughlin, Senator Robert Rice Reynolds and Frank Gannett, publisher, are all lined up in the fanatical Roosevelt-hating group.

"The nationalists really weren't much concerned when Smith took a walk," Risel writes. "They still have Father Coughlin—and the votes he can swing. Their Coughlinite tieups are good—through Robert M. Harris, Father Coughlin's financial adviser, and William J. Goodwin, the radio priest's New York lieutenant. Harris, a good friend of Gannett's, is one of the nationalists' best fund raisers. Goodwin, his stooge, is the nationalists' treasurer.

Veterans Investigate Reynolds' Activities

Special

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal.—An inquiry into the "associates, affiliates and utterances" of Senator Robert Rice Reynolds (D., N. C.) was opened this week by a board of inquiry set up by the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Bartley C. Crum, local lawyer, began presentation of evidence on the isolationist senator's connections with the American Nationalists' Committee.

The inquiry hopes to establish whether or not Reynolds' activities are "in the best interests of total victory and a peaceful, progressive postwar world."

Urges More Shelters

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

NEW YORK — The immediate setting up of temporary refugee shelters in the United States in addition to the one established by President Roosevelt at Fort Ontario was urged this week by Senator Guy Gillette, Iowa Democrat, addressing the opening session of the two-day National Conference to Save the Jewish People of Europe, held at Hotel Commodore.

Wont Support Dewey

Special

NEW YORK—"I will not support a man who, while bidding for the so-called Jewish vote, fails to grapple publicly with those nationalistic forces that create anti-Semitism," Russell Davenport, former manager of the Willkie-for-President movement told the newly-formed Liberal Party at a meeting here last week.

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Beth El Men's Club Names Committee

Committee chairmen and members were announced this week by Julian Freeman, president of the Beth El Men's Club.

Sam Rose heads the membership committee and is being assisted by Leo Selig, Hyman Grande, Jerry Wachter, Marshall Sherman, Nathan Black, Norman Brody and Joseph Celender. In charge of the finance committee is Mr. Sherman, who will be assisted by Manuel Freeman, Robert Stolkin, Arthur Sacks and Abe Borts. Heading the bowling committee is Mr. Celender assisted by Jack Klapper and Alex Schwartz.

Dave Granowsky is hospital committee chairman. His assistants are Joe Miller, Ruben Riskin, Dave Klain, Max Sattinger, Barney Podkin, Harry Koor, Harry Goldstein, Abe Goldsmith, Manuel Segal, Paul Goldstein and Shoolem Ettinger. The auditing committee is composed of Manuel Freeman, chairman and Louis Levy and Albert Meyer. Nate Regen is program chairman and is being assisted by Dave Granowsky, Ben Paller, Rabbi Israel Chodos and Mack Laner.

Harry Alpert is chairman of the oratorical contest. His assistants are Max Klezmer, Lester Engel, Rabbi Chodos, Jack I. Kahn, Milton Fineberg, Meyer Gallin, Mr. Paller, Harry Vinstein, Dave Hollander and Aaron Glick. Leon Adler is editor-in-chief of the Clarion with Bob Greenberg and Percy Simmons as associate editors and Manuel Leve, Mr. Glick, Rabbi Chodos and Julian Freeman as contributing editors.

$219 From Picnic to Go For Overseas Packages

The National Service Club netted $219 for overseas' packages for the boys in service from their all-day picnic last Sunday. The committee in charge included the Mmes. Sidney Bornstein, Charles Brodsky, Alex Cohen, Jacob Ecktman, Sam Feldman, Max Gold, Jacob Goldstein, Hyman Klesmer, Mary Rader and Sam Satinsky. Names and addresses of boys overseas, relatives of members, should be sent to Mrs. Sam Satinsky, R. R. 4, Indianapolis, or phone GA. 2103.

Last Friday evening after chapel services at Ft. Benjamin Harrison, the 100 boys were served corn-beef sandwiches, cokes and cookies by the National Service Club. Mrs. Abe Brody baked and contributed all the cookies.

Central Hebrew Meeting Sunday

The Central Hebrew Congregation will hold its monthly meeting at the synagogue, 21st and Central Ave., at 3 p. m. Sunday.

CAPT. FIRESTONE WOUNDED

Special

FORT WAYNE—Capt. Milton H. Firestone, former practicing physician in Fort Wayne, has received a serious injury, diagnosed as a fractured spine, while serving with the Army Air Corps in Europe, according to word received by his wife, Mrs. Ethel M. Fishman Firestone. Capt. Firestone is believed to be in a hospital in England. It was not learned where he was at the time he was injured. His wife and daughter, Sue, 9, have been living in Los Angeles the past several months.

Louis Falender, 73, Retired Scrap Dealer, Dies

Louis Falender, 73, retired scrap iron dealer, died Sunday, Aug. 6, at 3255 Central Ave., the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ed Rosenberg, after an illness of nearly a year.

Mr. Falender, who had lived in Indianapolis 55 years, retired from business in 1930. He was a member of Beth El-Zedeck congregation and a member of the board. He belonged to the Zionist Organization, Sharah Tefillah Congregation and the Jewish Education Association.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday morning, Aug. 8, in the Aaron-Ruben funeral home, Rabbi Israel Chodos officiating, assisted by Cantor Abraham Portnov. The burial was in Sharah Tefillah cemetery.

Survivors besides Mrs. Rosenberg are another daughter, Mrs. Harry Lorber, Indianapolis; four sons, Archie Falender and Ben Falender, Louisville; Dr. Philip Falender and David Falender, both of Indianapolis; two brothers, Sam Falender and Julius Falender, Indianapolis; two sisters, Mrs. Hyman Friedman, Indianapolis, and Mrs. Lena Batterson, Cincinnati, O., and seven grandchildren. His wife, Mrs. Fannie Falender, died many years ago.

Town Crier

By G. M. C.

Gene Guttman of Connersville was in Indianapolis Tuesday to buy a gift for his father Henry, who celebrated his fifty-fifth birthday on Aug. 8. . . . Dr. Clarence Efroymson will return to Indianapolis and resume teaching this fall at Butler, I am told. . . . L. Strauss & Co. is moving tehir store to the Occidental building, where they will use all floors in a modern department store.

Soldiers Served by Women

Mrs. Frank Barnett and Mrs. A. Arthur Schwartz were co-chairmen for the USO-JWB Club regular Sunday night supper last week. Other members of their committee included the Misses Zelma Barnett, Alice Davidson, Isabell Schwartz, Ethel Sandler, Eva Bluestein, Betty Zimmerman, and Lil Kamlot, and Mmes. Lester Budd, Jack Schwimmer, Ruben Riskin, Joseph H. Miller, Abram Larber, Wolfred Bryan, Paul Friedman, Harry Marcus, Archibald Cohen, Jack Newbauer, Manuel Segal, Lou Levy, Morris Raff, Herbert Backer, Celia Lee, Max Refkin, Abe Klapper, Nathan Cohen, and Ida Herman. Mrs. Sherman Weinstein and a group of Kirshbaum Cadettes helped to serve the meal.

Central Hebrew Social To Be Held Sunday

A card social will be held in the Vestry of the Central Hebrew Congregation, 21st and Central, Sunday evening. Members and friends are invited and refreshments will be served.

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The Indianapolis Section, National Council of Jewish Women, will hod its opening board meeting at 10:30 a. m., Tuesday, at the 38th street branch of the Merchants' National Bank.

Mrs. Monroe Leiser, president, has announced administrative heads of committees. They include the Mmes. William Schloss, Jack Kammins, Edgar Fassberg, Leo Cohn, Abe Wides, Abe Unger, Jack Maurer, George Frank, Norman Isaacs, Michael Kline and Miss Gertrude Feiblemann.

Also the Mmes. Victor Goldberg, Harold Platt, Bernard Kabacker, Samuel Hahn, M. L. Goldberg, Louis Goulden, Sidney James, Israel Chodos, Monroe Leiser and Miss Frances Mazur.

Others are the Mmes. J. H. Sandground, Henry Solomon, Simon Kiser, Walter Wolf, Selig, Louis Segar, Jack Helman, Bernard Rosenak, I. E. Solomon, Edgar Kiser, Joseph Bloch, David Cook, Wolf Sussman, Meyer Efroymson, L. L. Goodman, Jack Berman, S. Carroll Kahn and Hugo Strauss.

Louis Sontag, 49, Victim of Heart Attack

Louis Sontag, 49, died of a heart attack Monday, Aug. 7, on his way to the Methodist hospital. He had lived in Indianapolis five years and was an agent for the United Insurance Co.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Eva Sontag; a son, Louis E. Sontag, Jr., a prisoner of the Japanese; a stepson, Stanley M. Davis, Indianapolis, and a sister, Mrs. Anna Marmerstein, Los Angeles.

Funeral services, conducted by Rabbi Maurice Goldblatt, were held Tuesday, Aug. 8, in the Aaron-Ruben funeral home. Burial was in the Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation cemetery.

In the Service Now

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With Indianapolis' Jewish Boys at War

The Post is Sent Free to Any Soldier in the U. S. on Request

First Lt. Bernard Rose, who has served 18 months in Australia and 9 months in New Guinea, is now in Indianapolis, a patient at Billings General Hospital.

Pvt. Fredrick J. Falender of the Army Air Force is now stationed at Sheppard Field, Texas, for basic training.

Cpl. Philip E. Berkowitz is spending a week's furlough with his mother, Mrs. Ellias Berkowitz, and his sister, Mrs. Herbert Sudranski. He is stationed at Ft. McClellan, Ala.

Capt. Richard K. Munter arrived safely in France, June 25. He is attached to the U. S. Medical Corps.

Pvt. Larry Stillerman has been transferred to the Flight Gunnery School at Yuma, Ariz.

Pfc. Robert Romer is now in France.

USO Gets Gifts

The USO-JWB Club has received cash gifts recently from Mrs. J. K. Berman, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Popper of New York, and Mrs. M. Neustadt of Evansville.

HADASSAH SENDS ADM. STEPHENSON TO PALESTINE FOR SURVEY

Special

NEW YORK—Word of the safe arrival in Palestine of Rear Admiral Charles S. Stephenson of the U. S. Navy, who flew to that country on a mission for Hadassah, has been received here. Admiral Stephenson, who headed the American Typhus Commission when it toured the Middle East for the U. S. Government, was asked by Hadassah to make a survey of its health institutions and services in Palestine and to chart the probable future health needs of that country, to lay the groundwork for the vastly expanded health program needed, to deal with the health needs of the Jewish refugees who are expected to reach there shortly in large numbers.

Admiral Stephens became acquainted with the work of Hadassah in Palestine on his last trip to the Middle East when he was taken seriously ill and was rushed to the Rothschild-Hadassah-University Hospital. His enthusiastic report to the National Board of Hadassah on his return to this country led to a request from that organization that he undertake to examine on the spot the work of Hadassah's present institutions and services.

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Terre Haute Federation Sponsors U. S. O. Dance

Special

TERRE HAUTE—The Army and Navy Committee of the Jewish Federation is sponsoring a U. S. O. dance at the Phoenix Country Club tomorrow night with Mrs. Stanley Dreyfus, chairman of the committee. The committee members are Mesdames Melvin Goodman, Eugene Nirdlinger and the Misses Minna Rappaport and Edna Ruth Schultz.

In the Service—Robert D. Binzer, son of Dr. and Mrs. Harry Binzer, is in a rest camp in China after having had 37 consecutive days of missions at the Solween river in Burma, and writes that China is a paradise compared to India.

Notes—Mrs. Abe Schultz left this week for Michianna Shore, Mich., where she will meet her daughter, Mrs. Irving Tockman and infant son Melvin and accompany them back to Terre Haute where they will remain for the duration. Dr. Tockman has been promoted to the rank of captain in the dental corps and is at present with the armed forces in England. . . Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hyman have as their guests their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Myron N. Fisher and sons Charles and Dick of St. Louis. . . . Mrs. Louis Gross and son Robert Phillip of Memphis, Tenn., are the guests of Mrs. Gross' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Goodman. . . Sgt. and Mrs. Edward Graff arrived this week for a visit with Sgt. Graff's mother, Mrs. Joseph Graff. From here they will visit Mrs. Graff's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Feigen of Lexington, Ky. Sgt. Graff is stationed near Dallas, Texas. . . . Mrs. Charles Schwartz and sons are visiting Mrs. Schwartz's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bass of Lafayette. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Norman Coplan will move soon into their newly purchased home at 25th and Wilson. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Hirsch and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Lebowitz have moved into their recently purchased homes in Deming. . . . Mrs. Saul Sussman and son Ronald are visiting Mrs. Sussman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rotenberg in New York. . . . Mrs. Carlyle Levinson has returned from New York where she saw her husband, Cpl. Levinson, just before he left for overseas. . . . Robert Wolfe attorney in the Coal Division under secretary of the interior, Harold W. Ickes, Washington, D. C., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wolfe. The Wolfe's and another son, Sheldon, spent a few days this week in Chicago. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Berkowitz left today for Denver, Col., where they will visit their son, Capt. Sidney Berkowitz and family. They will be accompanied from Chicago by their daughter, Mrs. Leo Kagen of Oshkosh, Wis. Capt. Berkowitz is Chaplain at Lowery Field, Col. . . .

Mrs. Harry Binzer and sons are spending the week in Chicago. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hurwitz are spending the week in Pittsburgh. . . . Mrs. Morris Blumberg and son Benjamin will leave Aug. 17 for a month's stay in California. . . . Announcement has been received of the birth of a daughter to Captain and Mrs. Helman Wasserman in St. Louis. The captain is a member of the army medical corps as a physician and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Wasserman of Clinton.

GETS CABLE SENT IN FEBRUARY

Special

TERRE HAUTE—Louis Phillips received a cablegram this week through Red Cross channels from his mother in Budapest in which she stated they were all right and were worried about the folks here. The cablegram was sent in February.

Sisterhood Holds Annual Picnic

Special

ANDERSON — The Anderson Sisterhood held its annual picnic at Shadyside Park Wednesday, Aug. 2. Mrs. Marvin Gottesman was chairman of picnic committee, assisted by Mrs. Joseph Simkin and Mrs. M. I. Bing. The Sisterhood is selling New Year's greeting cards and turning all profits into the treasury.

Notes—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph I. Simkin visited relatives in Chicago this week. . . . Charles Speigal and Joseph I. Holland were in Chicago on business. . . . Mrs. Henry Glazer and daughter, Judy, visited in Cincinnati. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Morris Rossen have returned after a trip to Chicago. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Sol Nevis vacationed at Benton Harbor, Mich. . . . Dan Rossin returned after a week's buying trip in New York. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Weinberg of Indianapolis were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Glazer. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Rosner vacationed in Chicago and nearby lake points. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Lester K. Bing visited the newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bing, in Cincinnati. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Herman Porges visited in Detroit. . . . Abe Kursch was honored with an office in the local Forty and Eight organization.

Zionists of State Sell $1,117,116 in Bonds

Special

NEW YORK—Zionist districts in Indiana sold $1,117,116 in war bonds in the recently completed Fifth War Loan a compilation made by The New Palestine, organ of the Zionist Organization of America, shows. Zionists of the entire nation sold $65,000,000 in bonds.

Indianapolis with Cantor Myro Glass in charge led the state with a total of $600,000 in sales, followed by Fort Wayne, with $260,091, with Abe Kaplan as chairman. Jacob H. Gilbert led the South Bend drive, while sold $61,025 in bonds; with Terre Haute's $56,500 and Lafayette's $40,000, sold under direction of Joseph Solomon and Louis Winsky respectively.

Beth El "Workers" Plan Joint Picnic

Special

GARY—An all-day picnic will be held Sunday by Beth El Sunday School and the Jewish Workers' Alliance in the grove at 48th and Harrison streets, which can be reached by taking the Crown Point bus. Admission is 50 cents.

Notes—Mrs. Herbert Levy of Chicago (nee Florence Hyman) and Mrs. Meyer Levin of Indiana Harbor (nee Ann Hyman) formerly of Gary were guests recently of their brother, Lt. Abe Hyman, at Fort Bragg. He had returned from a visit to their sister and family, Mrs. Ezra Sensibar, the former Belle Hyman, now residing in Mexico City, Mexico. . . . Mrs. I. Mellman will visit her son, Harrison, enrolled in the pre-medical school at Harvard University. Mrs. Mellman will be back home Aug. 23 to welcome her son, Thomas, who has been at Camp Strongheart at Lake Tomahawk, Wis. . . . Three other Gary boys who are spending the summer at Camp Strongheart are Robert J. Goldstone, son of Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Goldstone; Stuart Baruch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Barney Baruch, and Harry Paul Gordon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gordon. . . . Mr. and Mrs. S. Kushlevitz of Mineola, N. Y., arrived Monday to be the guests of their daughter, son-in-law and grandson, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Saks and Michael. They arrive in time to celebrate Michael's third birthday. . . . Mrs. Irving Given, incoming president of Gary Legion Auxiliary, will attend a four-day convention this week-end in Indianapolis. . . . Mrs. Albert Diness and daughter, Wanda Leslie, have returned to their home in Clarksdale, Miss., after a month's visit with S/Sgt. Albert Diness' family. He has returned to his camp in California. . . . Twenty minutes of old home town reminiscences was all that Capt. Joseph Nelson and Pvt. Jack Shaffner were allowed when they met on the streets of Rome. It was "just in passing," for each was bound for different places.

Committee Meets to Plan Entertainment for Soldiers

Special

EVANSVILLE — Recreational activities for Camp Breckenridge service men were planned Wednesday at the monthly meeting of the entertainment committee of the Jewish Welfare Board.

Notes—Mrs. Benjamin Rosenthal, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lauer for three weeks, has returned to her home in Chicago. . . . Miss Muriel Levine of Louisville is visiting Miss Joan Weil. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Hubert deJong are in New York on business. . . . Miss Marjorie Kahn is leaving for a month's stay at the Manoir Richelieu, Murray Bay, Canada. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Harry Loewenthal, who have been vacationing at the Shelbourne in Atlantic City, will visit New York before returning to Evansville. . . . Mrs. Karl Kraft has returned

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Summer Visits Mark Kokomo Week

Special

KOKOMO—Mr. and Mrs. I. A Sposeep and sons of Anderson, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dennis en route to Chicago. Their youngest son, Jerry, remained for a few days to be the guest of Gail, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Abel of Marion and Sgt. and Mrs. Sam Fox of Camp Atterbury were guests of the Dennis family Sunday. . . . Mr. and Mrs. S. Prager and daughter are spending a week at Erie, Pa. . . . Mrs. Pearlman of Attica, who was visiting the Mervis family, was taken ill and, with her daughter, Mrs. H. Mervis, has gone to Cincinnati for a check up. . . . Bob Nerenberg, Cincinnati, and Wilbur Cohen, Middletown, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nerenberg. . . . Mrs. Mary Zoller, who has been visiting here for the past six weeks, has returned to Chicago. . . . Mrs. J. Copenhagen, who formerly resided in Kokomo, is now living in a town near the camp where her husband is stationed. . . . Mr. Max Gross has returned from Chicago, where he was in a hospital for observation. . . . Mrs. Leonard Standt has entered Reese Hospital, Chicago, for observation. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ike Klein, Rochester, Ind., were week-end guests of the Baum and Klein families. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Kopelov of Dayton recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kopelov and family. . . . Miss Mary Kohn, who was injured in a bicycle wreck, is getting along fairly well. . . . Mrs. S. Kopelov was called to North Carolina to bring back her daughter and grandchild, as the son-in-law, Second Lt. Herman Vaprin, was transferred to another station. . . . Pvt. Jerry Kopelov, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kopelov, has written home that he is in France and has been there for several weeks, right in the fighting.

Lt. Shuman Honored on Return From England

Special

TERRE HAUTE—Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Cohen held open house last night for their son-in-law, Lt Jerome Schuman, who just returned from service with the air corps in England, where he had made flights over Germany. Lt. Schuman is the husband of the former Bobbe Cohen.

Notes—Mrs. Carlyle Levinson is visiting her brother, Ens. Howard Kline, of New York city, and Mrs. Milton Levinson is visiting her sister in New York. While there they will see Cpl. Carlyle Levinson, who is stationed in New York. . . . Eleanor Levinson is spending the week in Terre Haute. She is employed at Goldblatt's in the advertising department. . . . Helen Lee Rosenfeld is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Rosenfeld. . . . Mrs. Martin Goldberg (nee Ritta Ades) received word of the promotion of her husband to first lieutenant in England. . . . Mrs. Julian Silverstein was the guest this week of her mother-in-law, Mrs. Isaac Silverstein. . . . Lt. Arthur Justin spent a few days this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Silverstein. . . . Mrs. Henry Adelman and daughter, Sharon, are spending a few weeks in Michiana. . . . Mrs. Anna Deutsch and Mrs. Ike Ellison of Chicago are visiting their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Levin. . . . Mrs. Herbert Goldstein and children, Esther Abby and Sherwood, of Eastport, Long Island, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schiff.

Hadassah Picnic Set for Saturday

Special

SOUTH BEND—The annual Hadassah picnic will be held Sunday at Potowatomie park, according to co-chairmen Mrs. Phillip Oestreiker and Mrs. Sam Berman. The picnic will be at ovens 8 and 9.

In the Service—Second Lt. Neomi M. Katz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Katz is home on a 10-day furlough from Camp Shanks, N. Y. . . . **Flight Officer Ralph Roth**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Roth, who was graduated from Solomon Field, Monroe, La. and transferred to Columbia, S. C., was home on a 10-day furlough. . . **Pvt. Milton A. Katz**, formerly of South Bend, whose wife Bonnie now lives in Chicago, is recuperating after an operation at Chanute Field, Ill. station hospital, and awaiting orders to report for training in the Cryptographic division of Military Intelligence. . . . **Pfc. Richard Rymer**, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Rymer has entered the Garver General Hospital, Chicago, for treatment of wounds, received on the Anzio beachhead, Feb. 7. He has been awarded the Purple Heart and a Presidential Citation. . . . **Pvt. Leon Simon**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Simon has been transferred from Fort Harrison to Camp Stewart, Ga. . . . **Marvin Oestreiker, S.1-c**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Oestreiker is home on a 5-day furlough from Murray, Ky.

Notes—Mrs. Ben Levin and son Irwin are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Sutlin, for two weeks. . . . Eli Aronson and wife Sylvia are vacationing at Mr. and Mrs. Max Podkin's summer home at Johnson's beach. . . . Mr. M. Jacobowitz is spending a week in Benton Harbor, Mich. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hoffman will spend 10 days in Crystal Beach, Canada. . . . Dorothy Feiwell was hostess to her junior piano pupils at a picnic Wednesday in Potawatomi Park. Prizes went to Betty Gross, Violet Zortman, Aviva Elling, Stefen Gross and Larry Zartman. Jack Ziffrin, of Davenport, Ia., was a guest. . . . Rabbi and Mrs. A. M. Rine and son Joseph Leon, are vacationing in Chicago for a few weeks. . . . Mrs. Aaron Friedman and Mrs. William Friedman are vacationing in Benton Harbor, Mich., for a week. Rev. and Mrs. Jacob Berkover will spend the week-end with their daughters in East Chicago and Gary.

BUY BONDS

A. Z. A.'s Plan House Party at Lake

Special

FORT WAYNE — The local group of A. Z. A. has scheduled a houseparty at Lake Wawasee from Aug. 13 to 20. Members who are going for the entire period include Sheldon Stern, Alan Fisch, Alan Kwatnez, Lee Loeser, Richard Hutner, Leo Mandelsberg, and Milton Bronstein.

Other members who will be there for a few days only, include Edward Bransilver, Barney Brooks, Kenneth Rosenthal, Herbert Baum, Sidney Lyons, Alvin Harris, Eugene Himmelstein and Leon Himmelstein, the latter of the U. S. Army.

Chaperons include Michael Nash, A. Z. A. advisor; Meyer Ruchman, president of B'nai B'rith and local Zionist organizations; Joseph Rosenthal, Abe Kaufman, Dr. Nathan Salon and Haskell Shultz.

The group will sponsor the Wolf and Dessauer Bond Booth during the week of Aug. 28.

B. B. G.'s Sell Bonds—The B'nai B'rith Girls are sponsoring the Wolf and Dessauer Bond Booth this week, Aug. 7 to 14. They have set their goal for $20,000.

In the Service—Philip Lichtenberg, son of Col. and Mrs. Chester Lichtenberg, is one among several Fort Wayne area men who are members of the Army Enlisted Reserve Corps, being trained under A. S. T. P. R., Rose Polytechnic College at Terre Haute. . . . **Capt. Allen S. Lichtenberg**, son of Col. Lichtenberg has been transferred to the North Africa wing of the Air Transport Command. He formerly was a pilot in the China-Burma-India area. He has 62 flights to his credit. Capt. Lichtenberg attended Purdue University prior to entering the service in Jan., 1942.

Notes—Rabbi and Mrs. Irving A. Weingart and son Samuel are vacationing at South Haven, Mich. . . . Miss Beverly Bronstein, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bronstein of Huntington, is spending a few weeks with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Sol Bronstein at Evansville. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Ruchman and children are spending ten days at Lake Wawasee. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Phil Baum and children of Chicago spent last week-end visiting their respective parents. . . . Rabbi Frederick A. Doppelt underwent a second nasal operation in Chicago, last week. . . . Pfc. Joel W. Salon, a medical student at the University of Michigan, spent last week-end with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. N. L. Salon. He celebrated his twenty-first birthday, Sunday, Aug. 6. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Harry Segal are vacationing in Northern Michigan. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Michael Zweig of Waukegan, Ill., visited their fathers, Mr. Louis Zweig and Mr. Ben Franklin. . . . Mrs. Nate Shine spent a few days in Chicago to help celebrate his mother's eightieth birthday anniversary. . . . Mrs. N. L. Salon sustained the loss of her uncle who lived in Philadelphia, last week. . . Miss Minnie Moyer was hostess to members of Junior Hadassah at a wiener bake and lawn party Saturday evening. Miss Billie Zacks, president, was in charge of the party to which soldiers and WACS from Baer were invited.

'ROUND THE STATE

CHILDREN'S CIRCUS GIVEN FOR RED CROSS

Eva Rae Shapiro and Joyce Freeman Shapiro were among a group of girls who presented a children's circus this week in South Bend for the benefit of the Red Cross. Fortune telling, dog tricks and dancing were among the attractions, and refreshments were also sold. Proceeds of the project were $12, which has been turned over to the Red Cross.

Cpl. Charnekar Feted By East Chicogans

Special

EAST CHICAGO—Cpl. Morry Charnekar's arrival in East Chicago from overseas duty is still cause for celebration. Recently he was feted at the Empire Room in Chicago, and Sunday a picnic was held for him at the Dunes. Friends and relatives from nearby towns attended. His friend, Sgt. Morry Brown, also home on furlough, cancelled his train reservations to be able to attend the picnic, and flew back to California Sunday evening to report for duty.

Notes—Mrs. Koplin and daughter visited Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Wilson on their way to their summer cottage at Michiana Shores. Mrs. Koplin's brother, Dr. Adlin, from the Milwaukee County Hospital, came to East Chicago Friday to see his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jack Givel and family have returned from the Whitcomb Hotel in St. Joe, Mich. Mr. Givel gave an all-day picnic for his employes at Marquette Park in Miller. . . . Miriam Michael of Seattle, Wash., en route to New York to her fiance, stopped off in East Chicago to visit Mr. and Mrs. Blumenthal for a few days.

Rush Plans Completed By Indiana Pilams

Special

BLOOMINGTON—Rush plans of Pi Lambda Phi Fraternity are rapidly being completed. It is expected that from 17 to 20 men will be pledged, and Yale Friedman, Rex of the Indiana University chapter, has been named chairman of the program. He is being assisted by Bill Weinstein and Aaron Unger, both of Indianapolis, and A. Martin Katz of Gary.

Jewish students planning to attend I. U. are asked to contact Mr. Friedman at 424 East Sixth street, Bloomington, or any of his assistants. The chapter is starting a series of educational material in the current issue of The Jewish Post.

Mrs. Sarah Latker, 85, Dies in Detroit

Special

FORT WAYNE — Mrs. Sarah Latker, 85, died at 11:00 p. m. Tuesday, Aug. 1 at the home of a niece, Mrs. Ornice Nusbaum of Detroit, where she had made her home since the death in December, 1941 of her husband, Joseph Latker.

Mrs. Latker was a member of Congregation B'nai Jacob. The body was brought to Fort Wayne and services were conducted on Thursday, Aug. 3, by Rabbi M. Hurwitz. Burial was in the Orthodox Jewish cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fichman

FORT WAYNE—Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fichman celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary Saturday, Aug. 5. They held open house for relatives and friends in the evening.

CAPT. BLATT CITED FOR VALOR

Capt. Ebner Blatt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Blatt, 3450 Winthrop, has received a presidential citation for exceptional valor in line of duty during the invasion.

Capt. Blatt joined the 32nd General Base Hospital here but asked to be transferred to the paratroop infantry. He trained at Ft. Benning, Ga., received his paratroop wings in July, 1943, and went overseas in September, 1943.

His company was the first over, on D-day and, after five weeks at the front, was returned to England July 12, 1944.

Evansville

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from a month's visit in Glencoe, Ill. . . . Mrs. Meyer Siegel and her sons, Lyle and Allen, leave for a three months' stay at Miami Beach, Fla. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Theodore have returned from Elkhart, Wis. . . . Capt. Hyman Lieberman, U. S. Medical Corps dentist, is back in the States after 19 monts of overseas duty in North Africa and Italy. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Lieberman, expect him home next week on furlough before he assumes his new post at Louisville, Ky. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Hallert are visiting in St. Louis and Chicago. . . . Mrs. S. Goldworth and son, Stephen, of Savannah, Ga., are visiting her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Morrie Levin. . . . Capt. Robert Kopelwitz, with Mrs. Kopelwitz and daughter, Mandy, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joe Katz. He is stationed at Camp Gruber, Okla. . . . Rabbi and Mrs. Joseph Gorfinkel and son, Harvey, are visiting in Chicago. . . . Mr. Isaac Hamburg is recovering from a major operation at Mayo Bros. . . . Mr. and Mrs. William Jacobs and family are moving to Norfolk, Va., where they will make their home. Mr. Jacobs was associated in business with Olshine's. . . . Mrs. Cele Scholem, formerly of Evansville, died of complications resulting from a fractured hip in Los Angeles. Mrs. Scholem is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Max Merritt, and daughter-in-law, Ludvic Scholem, and granddaughter, Alice. . . . Mrs. Elizabeth Weil is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Robert Mattuck, in Plainfield, Vt., where she is being joined by another daughter, Mrs. Harry Howe, and a granddaughter, Mrs. Judith Starrels, of Albuquerque, N. M. . . . M/Sgt. Richard Reese, who has been stationed in the Aleutian Islands for two years, has returned to the U. S. for officer's training. En route he is expected to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sol Reese. . . . The engagement of Miss Erma Jean Satosky and Mr. Samuel Rubinstein of Louisville was announced by his sisters, Mrs. Louis Siegel and Mrs. Sol Silver, of Evansville. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Abe Lieberman announce the engagement of their daughter, Dora, to Leonard J. Lasky, U. S. N. V-12, who is stationed at Notre Dame University.

Shirley Shcolnik, Lt. Duboff Wed at South Bend

Special

SOUTH BEND — Mrs. Goldie Shcolnik has announced the marriage of her daughter, SPAR Shirley Shcolnick, Sk 2/c, and Lt. Milton M. Duboff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Duboff, Winnipeg, Canada. The ceremony took place Sunday, Aug. 6, in the Hebrew Orthodox Congregation with Rabbi Aaron M. Rine officiating.

Mrs. Duboff is stationed at Cleveland with the Coast Guard, and the groom is at Fort Knox with the Army Air Corps. The couple was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shcolnik, Mrs. Abe Gentner and Private Tony Duboff, R. C. A. F.

PVT. RUBIN RECOVERING

Special

SOUTH BEND—Pvt. Arthur Rubin of the Quartermaster Corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rubin and husband of Mrs. Muriel Rubin, has been wounded in France, according to word received by relatives. They have been notified that he is recovering following an operation and has been transferred to a hospital.

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SARA'S COLUMN

By SARA MESSING STERN

SMALL WORLD!" Edna Horwitz Kaufman of Enid, Okla., who is at the Acacia Hotel, Colorado Springs, Colo., with her husband during July and August, writes: "Guess whom we met last evening! A young Lieutenant Joseph (or 'Jimmie') Bloch. He was from Indianapolis. Herbert (her husband) has a nephew who is a physician in New Caledonia. His wife and two children live in Denver. She wrote she would spent an evening with us but the night and next day she would be with a young couple who were in Colorado Springs. We asked her to take dinner with us and bring her friends. They turned out to be young Lieutenant Bloch and his wife, a lovely couple! He is such a grand young man and she is equally as fine. Please tell his mother—though I do not know her—that she and her husband must be exceptionally fine folks to have such a son." "Amen" says Sara!

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SOME WEEKS AGO I mentioned in the column "The Youths' Social" that flourished in Indianapolis back around 1885. So along comes "Constitution and Bylaws of the Youths' Social, Organized November 8, 1885" from Jesse F. Solomon of Cleveland, Ohio, who lived here all of his childhood and early manhood. While not a charter member, he joined soon after. The "Preamble" written and adopted by boys of 13 is of espcial interest: "Whereas, experience has shown that knowledge can be more readily acquired by combination of effort than singly, we, whose names are hereunto annexed, have agreed to form an association to be known as 'The Youths' Social,' and for its better government do hereby establish the following constitution and bylaws." The charter members' signature are Morris Baach, Ralph Bamberger, Edwin Bamberger, William Emden, Bert Feibleman, Harry Feibleman, Isidore Feibleman, Jacob Kaufman, Walter Kahn, Isidore Mossler, Jacob Selig and William Rosenthal. March 4, 1888, the printed page announces the charter members with the following additional ones: Aaron King, Victor Emden, Nathan Kahn, Sylvan Kahn, Arthur Leopold, Jesse Solomon.

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CONGRATULATIONS to Lieutenant Colonel Sultan G. Cohen of Indianapolis on his birthday, August 6, and on his accomplishments! Born and reared in Jeffersonville, Ind., he received his degree in civil engineering at Purdue University the same week that he received his commission as second lieutenant, field artillery, at Camp Taylor, Ky., during World War I. He enlisted in this war three years ago and has been overseas in charge of the Ledo and Burma roads in India for a year. Lieutenant Colonel Cohen is a past president of the National Professional Engineering Society and has served Indiana as chief engineer of construction for the state highway department. The Cohens' son, Pfc. Lewis A. Cohen, is at Camp Claiborne, La., in the engineering corps. Lieutenant Colonel Cohen has good judgment! Bernice arrived home in San Antonio, Texas, from the University of Chicago during World War I, and young Lieutenant Cohen came to call on a cousin of Bernice's—a cousin who is now the wife of General George Eberle. Four months later they were engaged and were married immediately after his discharge from the army. Congratulations also to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Cassell, who celebrated their fortieth wedding anniversary August 7. A strange combination of events—Mrs. Cassell's son Leo, her brother, William Mazure of California, and her nephew, Martin Solomon of Louisville, Ky., were all born on her wedding day! The Cassells were married in Chicago, went to St. Louis to the World's Fair on their honeymoon, came to Indianapolis for residence and have lived here ever since. Mrs. Cassell does so many thoughtful things other people seldom think of. I mentioned at the July White Cross Guild meeting that I liked to read detective stories. The next day she left a large bundle of magazines, detective stories among them, on our porch! And at the shop we used to run for the newcomers, she not only sold regularly each week in the shop, but if someone needed money in a hurry, she'd pile linens or china in her car, go see some of her friends, buy many things herself and come back with all the money necessary! So I wish you both deserved, continued happiness!

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DR. MAX GANZ of Marion, Ind., met Lieutenant and Mrs. David Bernstein (nee Jessie Levin) in Rome and sent snapshots, taken at the time, to the Levins. Lieutenant and Mrs. Bernstein were together in Rome on June 29, Lieutenant Bernstein's birthday, and Mrs. Bernstein writes: "I baked a birthday cake for him, and was he surprised!"

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CONGRATULATIONS to Ben Lieberman, 2930 Park avenue, who, on August 7, completed 35 years of faithful service with the Indianapolis Fire Department. He went down as usual at 6:30 a. m. August 7 "fit as a fiddle."

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Goldblatts Return From Dunes Vacation

Rabbi and Mrs. Maurice Goldblatt and children have returned from a week at the Dunes. . . . Janet Cooler, Annette Simon and Mrs. Lillian Steinberger are back after a several weeks' vacation in Florida. . . . Bill Solotkin is visiting relatives in New York. He will be gone a month. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cooler are at Houghton Lake in Michigan. . . . Rabbi and Mrs. Morris M. Feuerlicht are at Atlantic City. . . . Mrs. S. Dahlheimer of St. Louis has returned to her home after visiting her sister, Mrs. Bailey Brown. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Sam Yaver and son, Lewis, have returned from a three weeks' stay at French Rivers and Toronto, Canada, and Detroit. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Leo Cohen and son, Bill, have returned from a vacation at Lake Michigan. Their son, P. O. Norman Cohen, of Bunker Hill Naval Air Base, accompanied them. . . . Mr. and Mrs. R. Friedman have as their guests their niece, Mrs. Beula Worthman and daughter, Sabra, of San Antonio, Tex.

Kroots Return Here From Columbus

Mrs. Samuel Kroot and children, Martin and Elaine, have moved from Columbus, Ind., to 331 E. 51st St., where they will make their home while Lt. (jg) Samuel Kroot is serving in the South Pacific. . . . Mrs. Shoolem Ettinger is at the Methodist Hospital recovering from an appendectomy. . . . David Lurvey is convalescing at Methodist Hospital after an operation. . . . Mr. and Mrs. George Cohen, 5903 Guilford, are staying a week at South Haven, Mich. . . . Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Sternfels, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Sternberger and Mr. and Mrs. Philip Adler have returned from Wisconsin. . . . Bernard Berger, Irving Freeman, Carroll Mahalowitz, Milton Miller, Carole Margolis, Max Samuels, Jacqueline Werner and Stanley Talesnick were among those graduated from Shortridge High School on the campus at 11:30 Saturday, Aug. 5. . . . Miss Clarissa Hollander has returned home after spending four weeks at Brandeis Camp Institute, Hancock, N. Y., and two weeks in New York city with relatives and friends. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Joseph D. Mehlman have as their guests, their mother, Mrs. Jennie Mehlman, and their niece, Miss Phyllis Patchersky, of Toledo, O. Mr. and Mrs. L. Patchersky of Toledo were their guests over the week-end. . . . Mrs. Harry Simon and children of Terre Haute spent the week-end with Mrs. Harry Sacks of the Seville.

TRY TO KILL MacMICHAEL

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

JERUSALEM—Sir Harold MacMichael and his secretary escaped death in an attempted assassination, laid to the extremist Stern group, on the Jerusalem-Tel Aviv road. Both were injured slightly. Lady MacMichael, who was in the party, escaped injury.

BAR MITZVAHS

Isadore Hurwitz

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Hurwitz, 1204 Union street, announce the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Isadore at 9 a. m., Aug. 19, at Sharah Tefillah Congregation. A reception will be held at the home at 6:00 p. m, Sunday, Aug. 20.

UNVEILING

Mrs. Mary Koor

A stone will be unveiled to the memory of Mrs. Mary Koor and son, Morris, at 2:30 p. m. Sunday, Aug. 20, at the Beth El-Zedeck cemetery, Rabbi Israel Chodos officiating, assisted by Cantor S. Portnov.

Stolkins Return From West Coast

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stolkin and daughter, Jackie, have just returned from a six weeks' trip to San Diego, Cal., where they visited their daughter and son-in-law, Mr and Mrs. Frank Benjamin, and grandchildren. Mr. Benjamin is in the Marine Corps stationed at San Diego. Mr. and Mrs. Stolkin and Jackie while there also visited in Hollywood and Los Angeles. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Morris Dee leave Saturday for a few weeks in Florida. . . . Bill Romer, Joe Dee, Dick Perk and Paul Goldstein spent a week at the Morrison Hotel, Chicago. They returned here Thursday.

BUY WAR BONDS

Goodmans Entertain St. Louis Friends

Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Wolf and son, Dan, of St. Louis, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Goodman. Mr. and Mrs. Goodman and daughter, Jackie, have returned from a five weeks' stay at Atlantic City. While there they visited with their son, Robert, of the Coast Guard, in training at the Radio School in Atlantic City. Mrs. Goodman addressed the Board of the Atlantic City Hadassah Chapter while in the East. . . . Rabbi Samuel Fox and wife are in New York for a month. . . . Louis Stein is vacationing in the East. . . . Blanche Bachman Hyman and her sister, Gertrude, of Wabash, stopped off in Indianapolis last week en route home from a visit with relatives in Louisville. . . . Mrs. Charles Sommers is at Charlevoix, Mich. . . . Mrs. Samuel Hahn, who was recently operated upon, is now convalescing at her home, 546 E. Maple road. . . . Herman Summerfield is in Oakland, Cal., to join his family. They will return early in September. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Sigmund Asher have returned from a week in New York city. Helen Asher and Mrs. Sigmund Asher spent a few days this week in Chicago.

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RABBI DAVID SHAPIRO ANSWERS POINT ON DIVINE, PHYSICAL NATURE

To the Editor:

I have just returned from out of town and was amazed in perusing the back copies of The Post at the extent and acerbity of the controversy raging around Mr. Segal's article and the criticism thereof by Miss Vivian and myself. I am not particularly eager to continue the controversy, but I feel constrained to clarify some of the issues which have been injected into the polemics at the instance of Rabbi David Goldberg of Philadelphia, who thinks I ought to "condescend" to explain some of the levities(?) to which I have treated myself.

Rabbi Goldberg seems to be an adept in the use of the **argumentum ad hominem.** By calling my views obscurantist, presumptuous, reprehensible and myopic he feels assured that he has disposed of me. He also ventures into the fields of psycho-analysis and clairvoyance when he surmises that it may be my nature that requires a callous G-d and when he declares self-righteously that very obviously I am not interested in the sociological implications of religion. I do not believe that Rabbi Goldberg has ever met me and so I dare say that his aspersions are very presumptuous.

Now as to the problem that I am asked to clarify. On what authority do I make the statement that in Judaism an unbridgeable gulf separates the Divine Nature from Physical Nature, that the Creator and the Creature are not to be confused. If G-d is not the Creator of the world and all that is therein, Rabbi Goldberg asks, and if He renews daily, forever, the works of creation, how can there be any chasm between Him and them? Does not Judaism affirm that G-d is nigh to all that call upon Him in truth; and is He not our father and we His children? Rabbi Goldberg, however, is guilty of a gross misunderstanding of the true purport of my statement. I nowhere stated in my letter that in Judaism there is an unbridgeable chasm between G-d and Nature or between G-d and man. I said that there is an unbridgeable chasm between the Divine Nature and the Physical Nature, meaning thereby that the Divine Essence does not partake of any of the qualities of the three- or four-dimensional world, that G-d is beyond the range of Space, Time and Causality. This is elementary knowledge to every student of Judaism. It is one of the principles of our faith that the Creator is not a body, that He is free from all the accidents of matter, and that He has not any form whatever (Maimonides, Commentary to the Mishna, Sanhedrin X, 1, Third Principle; Daily Prayer Book, Thirteen Principles of Faith; ibid., Yigdal). Some Jewish teachers go even further by elevating G-d not only beyond all categories of matter, but beyond pure spirit itself. Such intellectual and spirtual giants of Jewry as the great Rabbi Liwa of Prague (the Maharal of Golem fame), Rabbi Moses Cordovero, Rabbi Isaac Luria, Rabbi Shneur Zalman of Liadi have held such etherealized conceptions of Deity. Let Rabbi Goldberg examine the Maharal's Introduction to his **Geburoth ha-Shem,** Rabbi Shneur Zalman's **Likkute Amarim (Tanya),** Chapter 2 in note, the latter's **Shaar ha-Yihud ve-ha-Emunah,** Chapter 9 in hate, and Hillel Zeitlin, **Alef-Beis fun Yudentum, page 93.**

That this conception of Deity is fundamentally Biblical is making itself evident to those students of the Bible who have freed themselves from the vagaries of Biblical criticism. Permit me to quote from a foremost modern Jewish scholar who is probably the most profound student of the problem of Biblical monotheism, Dr. Ezekiel Kaufman (Golah ve-Nechar, II, 258): "This belief in a non-mythological non-natural G-d has no parallel in the history of religion (i. e., non-Judaic religions-D.S.S.). The religious faith throughout the entire world was a deification of nature, whether cosmic, or human, or social. Animism or totemism is not different in this respect from the highest forms of polytheism or pagan monotheism. For it is not "unity" as such which is the fundamental contribution of the Jewish religion. Even paganism in its top forms attained a conception of unity. . . . But the new religious thought which made its appearance in the religion of JHWH was not the conception as such, but the conception of a non-mythological deity who is altogether elevated beyond the life of nature. . . . The Divine is distinct from Nature and its manifold phenomena. The Divine is the Power that rules over nature and its various manifestations. This Power is sovereign and there is no force in nature which is not subordinate to it. The conception of Unity is only the emphasis of supremacy and sovereignty, an emphasis of the separation from the many phenomena of nature and the sovereignty over them." See also Kaufman's excellent and indispensable **Toledoth - ha - Emunah ha-Yisraelit,** Vol. II, 221ff. et passim. Cf. also my article on Permanence and Change in Hellenism and Judaism in Bitzaroh, Vol. IV, No. 9.

It is the everlasting glory of Judaism that its One Transcendental and Sovereign G-d is also the loving Father of all mankind and the righteous Judge. The G-d Who is exalted beyond comprehension, the place of Whose Glory is unknown even to the highest angels, is present in every nook and cranny, and finds his dwelling place in the lowly bush and in the broken and contrite heart. How the gulf is bridged between Transcendence and Immanence remains one of the incomprehensible mysteries of the universe, in whose presence we can only bow our heads in awesome silence. This is Judaism.

With your permission, Mr. Editor, I shall deal with some of the other questions raised by Rabbi Goldberg in a following letter.

Most cordially yours,
RABBI DAVID S. SHAPIRO.
Indianapolis, Ind.

Thinks Rabbis Should Be More Broad-Minded

To the Editor:

The vitriolic statements which appear in your columns signed by rabbis, the latest by David S. Shapiro, cause me to voice my protest—not at you for printing them—but why a "leader of Israel" (as a rabbi should be) should give such a picture of a narrow-minded man.

To qualify for leadership, such as that expected of a rabbi, he should express in speech and character the higher attributes of man. Of course man does not become perfect because he studies to be a rabbi. But from his studides he should have learned some of the things which "make friends" and "influence people": that before we can do these things we must first be a friend and try to understand people. We must first learn that self-discipline, self-criticism and self-control are of the essence; unless he can "take it"—he may not "dish it."

Dr. Shapiro cries aloud in "distress" over an article about a Christian church being used for Jewish prayer.

I have been thinking that God listened to prayers—not the Crucifix or even the Torah. Could I be wrong?

Would it not be better to rejoice that our men turn to God under difficulties, feeling that He would listen, rather than find fault with the place where a prayer is said? While the distressed rabbi could not lead a prayer, much less worship, under such surroundings, does he deny that God heard the prayer?

Sorry to take your space, but the words "intolerance," "bigotry" and "rishus" are within the family of Judaism too often; name calling is the poorest weapon and is used most too often by the ignorant who cannot state their facts convincingly. A READER.

Indianapolis, Ind.

A RECORD OF OUR GROWTH

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The Editor's Chair

Have you noticed that more and more individuals are beginning to take to the public press to voice their honest fear of the growth of anti-Semitism in the United States? And they seem to be doing a very good job of it.

On page four of section two of this issue is a letter written by a high school teacher which should be very effective in making the amateur anti-Semite stop and think. Then there are the very fine ad-editorials that William Freund is writing in the Muncie daily paper. These ad-editorials of Mr. Freund's are now appearing in a great many more papers, and he hopes to see them spread in papers far and wide around the country.

Then recently Phil Gelb wrote a letter to the Minneapolis Star Journal, parts of which I am reprinting. In all these instances the honesty and sincerity of the writers are their distinguishing mark. Even the worst enemy of the Jew will concede that these letters are written without further motivation than to protect the name of the Jew against his detractors.

Mr. Gelb writes: "I am a Jew. I was recently accused of starting this war. One night last week in a neighborhood beer tavern a husky fellow suddenly shouted out: 'The Jews have started every war.' I asked him: 'How?' He answered: 'Because the Jews have all the money, and wars are always fought for money.' This was no time to argue that point, but I asked the fellow who some of these possible wealthy war-mongers in this country might be? He thought of Henry Ford, Rockefeller, Duke, Morgan, Vanderbilt, Dupont, Kaiser and several others, but he didn't name any Jews. Finally in desperation he blurted out: 'Well, a guy named Max ——— once gypped me in a car deal, and I think the Jews started all the war.' By this time the situation was a little humorous. In fact, the rest of the clientele found it quite laughable. My accuser and I ended up buying each other a drink.

"I do not write this to 'wreak vengeance' on my anti-Semitic friends. I write this to show how unfounded and unfair prejudice is. Three per cent of America's population is Jewish. More than 4 per cent of our armed forces is Jewish. Fifty times as many

(Continued in Last Column)

Editorial Page

Why Jews Concerned When Negroes Attacked

THOSE JEWS who ask what business is it of ours what happens to the Negroes in the United States (one Anglo-Jewish paper recently criticised Jewish groups for declaring that the problem of the Jewish groups was part of the problem of all minorities) have gotten their answers by happenings in the United States in recent days.

Senator Bilbo gets up in Congress and attacks the Jews. Yet when Bilbo recently was up for renomination he won out because the Negroes in his home state are prevented frim voting by the poll tax laws.

In this issue of the paper is an article from our Philadelphia correspondent telling of the uneasiness of the Jewish group in that city during the recent transportation strike there. Yet the strike is aimed at the Negro, not the Jew.

Those who use the Negro to divide the country would be using the Jew instead, and do when the time is propitious. Often they use both the Jew and the Negro together. Sometimes they pit Jew against Negro as in the Harlem riot in New York some months ago.

So it must be obvious that an invasion of the rights of one minority group is a serious concern for every other minority group, and actually it is a matter of self-interest when Jews fight the battles of the Negro.

Oswego A True American Community

IT COMES as a heartening revelation in view of the ever-increasing number of anti-Semitic incidents, that the residents of Oswego, where is located the first free port, have taken the torn and tattered refugees to their hearts.

Officially the Chamber of Commerce welcomed the refugees with speech assuring them that the city was happy to have them. Clergymen of all three faiths joined in the ceremonies.

But even more indicative was the fact that the kindly residents of Oswego volunteered as guides and waiters the first day the newcomers arrived at the refugee shelter. They served the refugees their first breakfast on American soil.

This type of spontaneous action is America at its truest. It is not the Americanism of Westbrook Pegler, whose only comment on the establishment of the refugee shelter was his complaint against aliens, and his fear that the U. S. is not strong enough to absorb a few more immigrants, although these newcomers are to be returned to their native lands after the war.

The Latest Refugee Ship Disaster

THE shocking news of the sinking at this late date in the war of another boatload of Jews needs clarification. Of course it goes without saying that anything the Nazis or their satellites do to Jews needs no explanation, but why would Germany deliberately sink a Turkish vessel when relations between the two countries are so near the fighting point that diplomatic relations have been severed.

The boat certainly didn't carry both refugees and materials of war. And what about rescue of survivals? Only 10 persons of the 260 aboard the ship seem to have been saved, and even in open warfare attempts are always made to rescue as many of the drowning as possible.

In this case, of course, the drownees were Jews, which can make the difference.

But there seems to be no disagreement on the point that the ship was sunk by enemy gunfire and did not go down as first reports would indicate, like the Struma.

Current Comment

German-Americans Haven't Protested Atrocities Because They Sympathize With Nazis, Trend of Events, Jewish Newsletter Says—Public indignation is rising at the failure of German-Americans to make any effective protest against the continued massacre of Jews in Nazi and Nazi-dominated territories. German political refugees who found haven here and in Canada are equally silent. Most of the German democrats, radicals and socialists in this country have not raised their voices in protest or condemnation. Are they still afraid of Hitler? Or can it be that they simply lack sympathy?

While Hungarians, Ruthenians, Romanians and similar groups have, on many occasions, made their attitude toward Nazi atrocities in unequivocal terms and issued stirring appeals to their countrymen, the Germans, even the most progressive of them, have never made a joint, public statement or taken any measures to appeal to their people at home to come to the rescue and aid of the Jew.

Some time ago when a Jewish organization sought to have the leaders in German-American circles join in a public expression of horror and sympathy against Nazi crimes, these recognized German leaders quibbled about the wording of the advertisement and finally succeeding in having it "toned down." The ad was paid for by the Jewish organization.

In recent mass meetings and demonstrations there are never any representatives of German Americans or leading "liberal" German groups. They are the worst offenders in this strange and possibly significant conspiracy of silence.

Thus it would appear that the line of German Americans is not noticeably different from the attitude of Germans in their fatherland. "The failure of the German people—save a few exceptional leaders and a small minority of the masses—to make any effective protest against Hitler's murder of millions of innocent men, women and children should not be forgotten as the day of reckoning with the enemy approaches," James G. McDonald, former High Commissioner for Refugees, wrote recently in a letter to the editor of the New York Times.

American Jews have been decorated for heroism in this war than there are Jewish bankers. And if you still believe the Jews, who proportionately have suffered far, far more in this war than any other group, are the cause of this conflict, can you honestly accuse me, a Jew, of starting this war?"

No doubt the same phenomena is happening in many other papers. I think they are all to the good. In Mr. Gelb's case, there is a tragic epilogue. Soon after his letter appeared, his cousin, also of Minneapolis, Lieutenant Robert Kreitzman, was killed in a plane crash. It was not his plane. He had volunteered to make the flight when the scheduled pilot complained of a toothache.

Note: I found Mr. Gelb's letter in The Jewish Press of Omaha, where it was reprinted from the Minneapolis daily paper.

Anti-Semitic Party Wins in Quebec

Special

QUEBEC—Accompanied by rioting, with 71 under arrest, the National Union Party, fascist anti-Jewish group, won the Quebec provincial elections here this week capturing at last 42 seats of the 91 in the provincial legislature. The Liberal Party captured 37 seats with minor parties holding all but the five seats on which contests are stil in doubt.

Maurice Duplessis is the leader of the National Union Party, and the organization has often used open anti-Semitism to gain its ends.

Dean Alfange Withdraws From Emergency Group

Special

NEW YORK — Withdrawal of Dean Alfange as co-chairman of the Emergency Committee to Save the Jewish People of Europe, and Lisa Sergio and Alfred Rosenberg from the group's executive committee has been announced. Dean Alfange asked that he be not reappointed.

Prof. Johan J. Smertenko, executive vice chairman of the Emergency Committee, said that Ruth Bryan Owen Rhode, former U. S. Minister to Denmark, and three other important persons, would replace those who resigned.

Emergency Committee Claims Credit at Meet

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

NEW YORK—In a report submitted to the two-day National Conference, the Emergency Committee to Save the Jewish People of Europe claims credit for having proved to the leaders of the allied and neutral nations and to the general public that large numbers of European Jews could be saved during the war without impairing the war effort and that it brought the facts of the problem and the need for government action to the attention of the topmost leaders in our government.

Thirty-five of the 39 governments affiliated with the International Committee for Refugees will be represented by the ambassadors, ministers and other diplomatic representatives at the plenary session of the Intergovernmental Committee which opens in London on Aug. 15 to discuss ways and means of saving Jews of Hungary and other countries in Nazi Europe.

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SECOND SECTION

BEGINNING THIS WEEK

a guide for the bedevilled

BEN HECHT'S NEW BOOK IN SERIAL FORM

I DECIDE TO WRITE A BOOK

I was lunching with a famous lady, a lady a little lacking in wit but full of very high-sounding ideas. If you were in doubt concerning the meanings of freedom and liberty you could ask this lady and receive the most lyrical of answers. I can best describe her by confessing that she was more famous than intelligent—which is one of the hazards of democracy.

In New York you can pick out easily the people of fame. They look and walk like pall bearers. Perhaps this is because they are carrying truth and beauty to their graves. Or perhaps it is because they are merely stiffened with their press notices and as conscious of their fame as if it were a paraffin injected into their veins.

Whenever I met this lady with whom I was lunching, I wondered if Joan of Arc or Semiramis, the one-breasted queen of the Amazons, had been as full of visible importance. I doubt it, for the importance of spiritual and royal leaders is a small thing beside the strut of those who wear the paper crowns of ideas.

This lady and I have known each other for some years and our meetings have been always of an amiable nature. We admired each other but, having ideas more or less alike, there was never much we could talk about. There is nothing as dull as an intellectual ally—after a certain age.

Our lunch this time was a bit duller than usual. We gossiped aimlessly for an hour on the stupidity of the movies, the stupidity of the theater, and the stupidity of literature—from which it can be seen that we were avoiding any topics of importance. We moved into the library, rather elegantly, to have our coffee.

Here my hostess fell silent and took to regarding me with a rolling and pregnant eye. Her fine brow became full of furrows and, by this and other signs, I knew she was deep in thought, or possibly working around to asking some favor of me.

"I would like you to tell me something, very frankly," she said, finally. "Do you mind talking about Jews?"

"It is one of my favorite topics," I answered, lying gallantly—for at that time, a year ago, it was a topic with which I had hardly more than flirted.

"I am very glad," she said. "Jews are often a little skittish about the subject."

"You don't have to be too tactful," I said. "Jewishness is not a venereal disease."

"I was sure you'd feel just that way," she said, "because, after all, you are not the kind of a Jew who thinks that any discussion of Jews is intended as a personal slight."

"No, I am not that kind of Jew," I said soothingly.

But I was socially a little surprised. It had never occurred to me that my friend regarded me as a Jew of any kind. I sat up. Here was the little slap that pinks the face of the American Jew. He fancies himself a social, spiritual, and literary ally—an individual colored only by his ideas and achievements—and presto! he hears his true name called over a coffee cup. My hostess was looking at something special—not quite a dinosaur, but a Jew. Her eyes were a trifle defiant and her cheeks flushed. I was aware that after many years of intellectual kinship, a divorce had taken place. We were no longer two Americans in a library, as alike as stripes on our flag. We were a pair of unrelated and mysterious coffee drinkers.

I beamed at the lady, for it was an important moment in my life—the first in which I had ever been addressed as a Jew—and thus called upon to be one.

"What do you want to know about Jews?" I asked.

"A great deal," she said, "a very great deal."

"My information is a little limited," I said. "Renan is a better authority. There is also a magnificent modern scholar named Klausner. He lives in Palestine."

"That's the whole trouble!" she cried. "Scholars, historians! They can tell us nothing about Jews. But you can. Because you are the greatest sort of authorith—the thinking Jew. The Jew who knows himself."

The compliment confused me and I was silent.

"I would like to know," she went on, "how you explain the unpopularity of the Jews. I mean, what do you think it is about the Jew that makes him so constant a victim? What is it in him that attracts so much anger and arouses people everywhere?"

The question embarrassed me. It had too much eagerness in it. It did not seem to ask for an answer so much as to make an unanswerable statement—that the Jews were to blame for their unpopularity. I had the impression that my hostess was accusing me of withholding vital information from the world. She seemed to be asking me, as a Jew, to break down and confess something that would clear up the murder of the three million Jews of Europe and also throw a light on the true secret of anti-Semitism everywhere.

"Don't you see that only a Jew can speak on this subject," she said, "because he is actually inside it? Not outside it."

The picture came to me of an angry policeman badgering a corpse for explanations of the crime committed against it. I am not a corpse, nor do I even feel myself a victim. Nor do I bear the marks of blows that have laid low other Jews. I was not in the picture—but it was there.

"The Jews complain," she spoke on, "they suffer dreadfully. And they accuse. But they never stop to reason or to explain or to figure the thing out and tell the world that they, and only they, know."

The picture of my hostess became clearer. She was a policeman intent on solving a crime by arresting the corpse.

"You are asking for introspection from Amos Lasky," I said.

"Who is Amos Lasky?" she demanded.

"Amos is a gentleman who was mugged last week," I said. "He was returning home from a card party and five hoodlums beat him up and took his winnings away. He died in Bellevue Hospital this morning, leaving a wife and three children."

"Nothing of the sort," she said. "Jews are not Amos-victims. They are—how shall I put it?—collaborative victims, a thing they refuse to see. I am asking them only to help clear up a situation that has become too wretched ,too horrible to go on in the dark. And I am asking you to use your mind."

She continued to stride and speak, and I did as she requested. I used my mind—but in silence. For my thoughts had a greater fascination for me than they might for her. I thought, as she flung her humanitarian phrases about the library—a library filled with the noblest minds of the modern centuries—that my hostess was suffering from a malady become as common in the world as the head cold. She had picked up some anti-Semitism germs. There was yet no fever, but the sneeze was there. This lady, who had stood for years on the side of the angels, was giving voice to attitudes a trifle short of divine. It was a melancholy thing to hear. I wondered where the germs had come from and how this lapse had happened.

Perhaps her querulous feeling about Jews was based only on the fact that the Jews were complaining so much against their extermination. Cries for help are always irksome to the preoccupied humanitarian. Or perhaps she was preparing herself to forgive the Germans, now that they were losing the war. She had a hatred of Nazism, but she had always insisted that the German people were a fine folk and that they were more the victims of Nazism than even its enemies. I can see this argument but I do not understand it. It is like arguing: who commits the murder?—the man who fires the gun or the gun that shoots? The man who fires is obviously a murderer but obviously, too, the gun that shoots is no feather duster. In fact, without his weapon obligingly at hand, the murderer is harmless.

"The Germans," cried my hostess, as if reading my thoughts, "are not a race of killers, fiends, of a special and different sort of sub-human beings. You cannot say that as man of intelligence."

"Yes, I can," I said.

"No, you are speaking now only as a Jew," my hostess pointed out triumphantly. "You are emotional and one-sided. I'm rather surprised."

The certainty grew in me that she was engaged in a political war within herself. She was doing her best to shift the blame of the millions of murdered Jews from the fine Germans to the dubious Jews themselves; not all the blame, but enough to remove murder as a political issue. This would require considerable legerdemain, but I had no doubts she would succeed. Anti-Semitism is an easy trick even for the most amateur of villains. It is more than a trick. It is an oasis in which saints can disport themselves lecherously, a little ward of lunacy in which philosophers can relax, and a prescription for the cure of acne, frost bite, ulcers, and many other diseases. My hostess, who was saint, philosopher, and invalid—along with her many other callings—would find, before she was done, much riches in anti-Semitism.

The telephone, much as it does on the stage, ended our scene. My hostess had appointments with Liberty and Freedom in a number of places. We shook hands gingerly.

"I would like to discuss the matter more fully with you," she said.

"You mean about what's wrong with Jews?" I said.

"Not wrong," she smiled. "It is not a matter of right and wrong. It is a matter of aloof psychological inquiry."

"It is that," I agreed.

"We might do something together on the subject that would be of great help," she said.

I thought this over as I walked away. I decided I would do something about the subject, but without the further help of my hostess. She had assisted me enough. I decided I would write a book and try to put in it the little of what I knew about Jews and the great deal that I knew about their enemies. No such urgent decision had ever commanded me before.

IT IS A VERY DIFFICULT BOOK

When I wrote a daily column recently for a newspaper in New York I composed occasional articles about Jews and ventured once or twice a month into the discussion of anti-Semitism. This was always a literary gesture comparable to sticking your head in a lion's mouth.

Each article I wrote resulted in a great deal of mail arriving at my desk. More than half the communications were from Jews. They were usually indignant with me for having misstated the case, betrayed the Jews, and added my wretched talents to their misfortunes. Many berated me for writing about Jews at all and offered (a little hysterically) the theory that the solution of the Jewish problem lay in not calling anybody's attention to it. These critics told me that they themselves were Americans and not Jews and that Jew-consciousness was a spiritual ghetto into which they refused to be driven. And shame on me for driving them! I answered as best I could that it was seemingly a spiritual ghetto out of which they refused to be rescued; for it is obvious to me that the fear of being Jews is about the only thing that distinguishes Jews adversely. It is a fear that lessens all their valor, that makes the proudest of them look foolish, and the most intelligent of them sound mysteriously like liars. I have seen this fear protruding like a large patch in the striped pants of the most elegant and important Jews—and making them seem always a little comically dressed at their lordliest functions.

Another part of my correspondence was from readers who had a loud, but anonymous, distaste for Jews. They filled my mail with attacks on me and "my kind" that lacked syntax, logic, and signature, but were as full of hate as the jog trot of a lynching mob.

There were also readers who forwarded me religous brochures and assured me that if I read them and became a Christian my troubles would be over. These advices usually cam from the far West.

Of favorable communications, there were a small, but pleasing, number. Though a minority, the spirit of these seemed to outweigh all the caterwaulings that filled the other envelopes. It was not toward my ideas that these expressed favor as much as it was for their own egos that they raised a shout. They were stormy, unafraid Jews—illiterate youths, businessmen, scholars. They were people full of a health and gayety that was as refreshing as a wind from the sea. The heavy hand of anti-Semitism had swung vainly at their middles. They dodged as gracefully and powerfully as that little ring general who was Ruby Goldstein, and known in fight circles as the Galloping Ghost. They were as gay as Americans, and never as nervous as Jews. It is for these I write. But it is all the others, I hope, who will read me.

(Continued Next Week)

Our Film Folks of HOLLYWOOD

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By HELEN ZIGMOND

HOLLYWOOD—Did you hear that break in a Winchellian newscast recently? He was talking about "Goyescas," explaining that the Spanish film was made with Nazi money for Nazi profits, and was about to reveal the name of the Hollywood distributing agent (R.K.O.) when the sound transmitter blurred him off the air.

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As the Allies move into the interior of Europe many of the one-time famous stars will suddenly find themselves declasse. Public opinion, completely muzzled during Nazi control, is beginning to throw off its restraints. In Rome recently the public demonstrations forced the cancellation of Gigli's concert. The people will have none of these artistic Quislings. It won't be long before Chevalier, Sascha Guitry and other Goebbel goy—er—boys will be relegated to the has-beens. Case of the death sentence pronounced on Danielle Darrieux by the French underground is a sample of the seething anti-Nazi torrent surging beneath the surface.

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In Portugal Nazi officials are holding up shipments of American films en route to Switzerland by refusing transit permits through occupied France. Germans are particularly anxious to prevent the Swiss from seeing American and British news-reels. Invasion films do not flatter the "wehrmacht." In retaliation some Swiss houses are boycotting German-made films.

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Twenty-year-old Leonard Sues, who has played both stage and screen roles, returns to his other profession—music. He's a trumpeter . . . has just been signed as the orchestra leader for Eddie Cantor's air show.

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Danny Kaye sustained such severe injuries in a fall while shooting scenes for "The Wonder Man" that he will have to walk on crutches for several weeks, necessitating cessation of the picture. Insider's info on the Kaye succession to "Blue Ribbon Town" replacing Groucho is that the sponsor has an eye to television—and blond hair is more photogenic than a black cigar.

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Though there have been premonitory rumblings, the Mervyn LeRoys have finally split. She was Doris Warner, daughter of Harry. The LeRoys have been married ten years . . . have two children.

Fanny Brice held an exhibit in New York for her "Baby Snooks Collection of Children's Art." It is an assortment of water colors and drawings of youngsters from 9 to 16 years of age.

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Castings: George Cukor looks like the favored candidate to direct the forth-coming feature, "Sarah Bernhardt." Paul Muni, who not long ago had quit pictures "forevah," has just finished a role in "A Song to Remember" . . . and was signed for "Counterattack" as his next.

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Major David F. Silverstein, former scenarist and more lately attached to the Army Signal Corps, died at the Halloran General Hospital. He has been awarded the Purple Heart.

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Whoops! Scoops! George Jean Nathan, from his lofty dramatic pedestal, is condescending to TALK about a writing contract for flickers.

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Since the irrepressible G. B. Shaw is figuring in the prints again, permitting his "Caesar and Cleopatra" to go before the kliegs, our own local Caesar (Arthur, the scribe) is reminded of the time when Shaw invited him to his home. Arthur arrived a bit flustered. Shaw gave him one long look, then said, "Please walk around for a few minutes and then come back. I want to get used to your face!"

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Arthur Kober's books, "Thunder over the Bronx" and "My Dear Bella" are set for a British edition. Churchill should be getting an accent, yet?

TWENTY YEARS AGO

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

BERLIN—Hugo Preuss, Jewish German political leader, author of the new constitution of Weimar, was yesterday highly lauded at the main festivals at Weimar. Leaders of the Democratic, Socialists and Centrum parties were present. A lengthy ovation was accorded to Preuss.

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LONDON—The fact that Hans Herzl, only son of Dr. Theodor Herzl, went over to the Catholic Church is known in the headquarters of the Catholic Guild of Israel here, the correspondent of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency learned today. Officials of the Catholic Guild, however, declared that they cannot make any official statement at present. Hans Herzl is in London but it is impossible to trace him. There is a suspicion that he is at the Guild's headquarters which are located in the Convent, Our Lady of Zion.

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WEIMAR—That a new era is coming to pass in the life of the Aryan peoples, one which should be enitrely freed from Jewish influences and Jewish doctrines was voiced by Gen. Ludendorf, defeated German war leader and new leader of the German anti-Semites at the convention of the National Socialist Party opened here today under his chairmanship. Professor Bartels, German writer, literary critic delivered a speech at the first session in which he urged the Germans to denounce the Jewish God, Jehovah and outline a program according to which Christianity of the world should be united under, what he termed an Aryan Christ. Prof. Bartels also demanded the starting of a campaign against Jews. Blacklists of Jews ought to be compiled everywhere, he stated, and Jews barred from political and social activities so that the world should be saved from the Jewish originators of wars and revolutions.

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JERUSALEM—David Ben Gurion, Palestinian Jewish labor leader, will shortly proceed to Moscow for the purpose of negotiating with the Soviet authorities concerning facilities for a large number of Chalutzim who are now in Soviet Russia and are desirous of proceeding to Palestine.

I THINK AS I PLEASE

By MRS. CARL ALPERT

With all the talk of building, amalgamation, organization, supervision in the field of Jewish education, I am afraid that we sometimes overlook the small and practical matters which form the essence of Jewish education. One of my pupils reported to me the other day that, on his way to Hebrew school, a neighbor's child, noting his books, called out to him: "Dirty Jew." The incident is not an uncommon one in any community.

"What should I have answered him?" the upset pupil asked me. In that query was a problem confronting Jewish education in America. Are we so everwhelmed by considerations of who should "control" education in a community, who should pay for it, where the school should be located, or are we so prone to heed the classicists of Jewish education that we overlook the need for preparing our children to meet the problems of their own daily lives as children and as adults? I would be the last to negate the values of the classical Hebrew and religious education, but we should try to educate a generation which can live a normal, happy Jewish life in the kind of environment which is to be found in America.

It is not for the Jewish educators to seek to change that environment. Rather should they aim at a system of education which will adjust the child to his surroundings. There are factors in Jewish life which seek to affect the milieu (Anti-Defamation League, etc.) and still other factors which advocate removal of the Jew from surroundings in which he finds it difficult to accommodate himself (halutziut).

Educators are not the only ones to blame. Parents sometimes resist any effort truly to give their children a worthwhile Jewish education. At one time I taught in the Sunday school of the Washington Hebrew Congregation, which is presided over by the Rev. Norman Gerstenfeld. The class was discussing anti-Semitism as a social phenomenon in the nation's capital. Was there such a thing as economic discrimination? In answer to the question, the pupils brought in clippings from the Help Wanted columns of the local papers, pointing out the direct, and sometime indirect, wording of those ads which advised Jews not to apply.

One of the largest department stores in Washington, it was reliably reported, did not employ Jews. What should be the reaction of the self-respecting Jewish shopper? A vigorous discussion ensued, following which the class came to the almost unanimous decision that Jews should not patronize stores which did not hire them.

The following Sunday I was taken aside by the chairman of the education committee who reported to me that there had been "complaints." One irate mother called the Temple and demanded to know by what right they were seeking to dictate to her where she should or should not shop!

This fall throughout the country there will again be calls upon Jewish parents to register their children at local Hebrew and religious school. I hope there will be full cooperation between educators and parents in presenting a curriculum designed to educate Jewish youth for a meaningful Jewish life—in America.

HIDDEN IN FOREST DEPTHS, 1,000 JEWS SET UP GUERILLA SUPPLY CENTER

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

MOSCOW—The story of how 1,000 fugitive Jews dwelt for two years in a well established forest community in the Baranovici district of Byelorussia, in the heart of German-held territory, was told this week.

The residents of the settlement had fled from ghettos, labor camps and concentration camps in the cities of Mir, Rakov, Slonim, Baranovici and the surrounding hamlets. Among them were 90 Jews who had escaped from a camp at Kildychev by an underground tunnel which they had dug secretly over a period of three months.

The forest community, which was under the protection of neighboring partisan bands, provided the guerrillas with shoes, clothes, caps and other articles which were manufactured in shops established by the refugees. Articles not required by the partisans were given to local farmers in return for food.

When the Red Army liberated the Baranovici district last month the settlement was liquidated and its residents, all of whom were safe and sound despite two years of hardship, returned to their home town to begin the task of rebuilding their homes and factories.

Hochschild Missing; Fear for His Safety

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

BUENOS AIRES—The Argentine Foreign Ministry was asked this week to investigate the disappearance in Bolivia of Mauricio Hochschild, 62-year-old Jewish industrialist of German origin who is believed to have been kidnapped, perhaps by the Bolivian police. Hochschild is an Argentine citizen.

Hochschild, his friends here disclosed, had sent his son on to Chile ahead of him last week and was supposed to have followed him Monday. He settled in Bolivia in 1923 and made a fortune there as owner of several mines producing tin, zinc and wolfram. He was the country's second greatest tin producer, being outranked only by the Patino enterprises. He was arrested three months ago on charges of financing a revolt against the Bolivian Government, but was released a month ago.

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Vilna Jews Trek Back From Forests

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

MOSCOW — Although virtually no Jews were found in Vilna and the surrounding townships when the Red Army first entered the region, hundreds of Jews who formerly dwelt there are beginning to return from the forests in which they hid to escape destruction by the Germans. These are mainly young able-bodied persons who fled to the woods and joined partisan bands.

More than 1,000 persons have already returned to the town of Glubokoye in the Vilna district and reports reaching here express the hope that there may be others still in the forests. Most of the Jews of Globkoye were massacred in 1941 and the others were crowded into a ghetto which was burned down by Elite Guard troops in August of last year. The Jews who are returning now are those who through the aid of non-Jewish friends were able to flee the holocaust.

In Vilna proper, the new head of the municipal economy department is a Jewish youth named Simonovich who led a band of 300 Jewish partisans named "The Avengers." The ranks of the "Avengers" were filled with Jews who had escaped from the ghetto, some who had fled while being led to execution and a few who had been left for dead by the Nazis after a mass execution. In addition to the "Avengers" there were two other Jewish guerrilla bands operating around Vilna.

Many young girls fought with the partisans. Typical are Sonya Burstein, Fanya Varshavchik and a young woman who gave her name as "Betty." Betty told a correspondent that she had killed six Germans and that other members of the band had each killed dozens.

Kaunas Jews Fight Back; 10,000 Killed as Nazis Retreat

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

LONDON—Ten thousand Jews were murdered in Kaunas, capital of Lithuania, just prior to the German evacuation of the city, it is reported by the Stockholm correspondent of the London Times. Information reaching the Swedish capital, he writes, says that the Jews fiercely resisted Nazi extermination squads, using arms which had been smuggled into the ghetto.

Prof. Arturo Castiglioni, a Jewish political refugee from Italy and currently on the faculty at Yale University Medical School, has been named head of the medical division of the American Relief in Italy, Inc. In 1935, Prof. Castiglioni refused to join the Fascist Party, was dismissed from the University of Padua, and managed to escape to the U. S.

RED CROSS SAYS MIAMI JEWISH LEADER U. S. CHAMP BLOOD DONOR

Special

MIAMI, Fla.—Abe Aronowitz, local attorney and chairman of the blood bank committee of Miami B'nai B'rith, is being hailed as the new national blood donor champion of the country by Florida Red Cross officials. Since the establishment of the Dade County Blood Bank, Aronowitz has given blood 31 times, making his total contribution nearly four gallons. Local Red Cross officials say this is not only a Florida record but a national mark. Aronowitz weighs only 125 pounds.

Eastern Blood Champ

Special

NEW YORK—Ben Hofstadter, member of Kings County (Brooklyn) Lodge of B'nai B'rith, was acclaimed the blood donor champion of New York city and perhaps the entire East when the Red Cross gave him a special certificate of meritorious service in recognition of his having donated 24 pints of blood to the Red Cross Blood Donor Center here. This makes Hofstadter the first three-gallon blood donor in this part of the country.

Undercover in New Edition At Popular Prices

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

CLEVELAND, O.—John Roy Carlson's "Under Cover," the book which achieved a record breaking sale (681,000 copies at $3.50) was issued by the World Publishing Co. in a popular priced edition for the first time on Aug. 10. The new edition will be complete, unabridged, and identical in every respect with the original edition, and will be priced at $1.49.

Myron Hugh Winston has been appointed by the American Jewish Congress to direct its 1944 campaign for $1,500,000.

Mexico to Set Up Free Port if Funds Supplied

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

MEXICO CITY—The Mexican Government has officially announced its intention to establish a "free port" for Jewish refugees along the same lines as the United States, provided that the refugees will maintain themselves, or will be maintained by relief organizations.

The exact location of the proposed haven was not indicated in the announcement. The refugees will have to be mostly women and children and must return to their native lands "once the war circumstances or the persecution by totalitarian regimes has ceased."

Approximately nine percent of the Jacksonville, Fla., Jewish population is now in the armed forces, according to a preliminary survey by the Jewish Community Council. This percentage coincides with the overall statistics just released by the National Jewish Welfare Board Bureau for War Records, in which the general average for the American Jewish Community is given as nine percent.

Labor Wins In Palestine Elections

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

JERUSALEM—Preliminary results of the elections to the Assefath Hanivcharim, the Jewish National Assembly of Palestine, made public this week show that with nearly 200,000 persons voting. 42 per cent of the voters cast their ballots for the Palestine Labor Party, which will probably get 65 seats in the Assembly.

The Mizrachi, orthodox party, together with the Hapoel Hamizrachi, its labor branch, will probably have 24 seats, while 18 will go to the Aliyah Chadasah group.

The Hashomer Hazair is expected to win between 13 and 15 seats; the Labor Unity Movement, which is the opposition group within the Jewish Labor Party, may get 12; the General Zionist group "A" is expected to get five, while its youth organization, the Hanoar Hazioni, may have seven. Four seats will probably go to the Women's Zionist organization.

George W. Maxey of Scranton, Pa., Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, announced today that he had accepted the post of chairman of the Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Palestine Committee.

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I welcome your "national edition". If some of your fellow-publishers oppose it, as you once intimated, I believe the best form their opposition could take would be the production of a paper as good as yours.

Your own salty comments on the passing scene are appreciated. I do not often agree with Al Segal; but by all means keep him. He stimulates me. Your other columnists are tops.

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Open Letter Tells of Teacher's Distress Over Pupil's Death, Promises to Fight Bias

An Open Letter
to Mr. and Mrs. America

To the Editor,
Houston, Tex., Chronicle:

Monday I heard that Arthur Berkman of the Class of 1942 had been killed in action.

At first I was filled with rage at the thought that a boy so young should be sent to his death. Later I said to myself, "What have I ever done, what am I doing to deserve having Arthur Berkman die for me?" A deep humility filled me because only two short years ago this boy had sat before me in English class. Had I at that time given him the best that was in me as a teacher?

Arthur Berkman was a sweet boy. I use that word carefully and purposely because it is sometimes too carelessly applied. But Arthur was sweet and decent and considerate and helpful. He was not made of the stuff that goes to make a ruthless warrior; rather did he have the mannerisms of one whose touch must have been gentle to those physically ill, and the smile and handclasp that cheered those low in spirit.

What can I do to be deserving of the complete sacrifice made by such a lad? I feel like a Judas or a Quisling when I reckon how little I've done so far. True, I can add up the balance side of the ledger and say, "What a great patriot I am," but my patriotism hasn't caused me any pain or any "giving till it hurts." Life has been too normal, too easy for me to be able to face Arthur Berkman and feel that we've shared equally in a great crusade.

Wherever Arthur is tonight I want him to know that from now on I'm going to play my infinitely insignificant role to the utmost. Imagine having to be asked to buy bonds; imagine chiseling a little extra gas so that my lazy body won't have to strain itself; imagine using points for meat that doesn't belong to me! Imagine indulging in these petty, lousy actions while American school boys gamble with their lives—and lose them—for me.

One other gesture I'm going to make for Arthur Berkman of Simonton, Texas. Arthur was of the Jewish faith—that same faith which gave us Jesus Christ and the mortal men who helped him found that religion of brotherhood and love that the majority of us profess to believe. The next time I hear a slighting remark made about the Jewish people I'm going to say, "Arthur Berkman, an American of Jewish faith, died for you. I wonder at your pride and arrogance—and ignorance." Arthur wouldn't have said that, however. He probably would have said, "Father forgive them, they know not what they do."

Yes, Arthur Berkman, R. H. S., '42, died that we might live. He died so that we might enter his high school and be nurtured by the thoughts once given to him. He died so that my children might enter the Robert E. Lee School each morning, unafraid, rather than duck, terror-stricken, into a bomb shelter. I hope we'll be worthy of Arthur.

L. G. GRIFFIN.

Teacher,
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Colorado Women's Champ

Special

DENVER, Colo.—Mrs. E. N. Hyman is the new Colorado women's golf champion, having annexed the title by defeating Mrs. Jerry Bariana 4 and 2.

..NEW YORK DATELINE..

By RINNA GROSSMAN

The Etiquette of Protest

Last week's giant "unity demonstration" sponsored by the American Jewish Conference and various other organizations unaffiliated with it, called to protest the slaughter of Hungarian Jewry and to demand immediate United Nations' action to rescue those who still live in the Nazi-dominated satellite states, may have been an eloquent tribute to the fact that Jews can get together, regardless of party or group ideology, for a few hours, but it was considerably more significant of a less cheering phenomena in current Jewish history.

This was a meeting called by Jews for Jews. Tens of thousands of workers streamed to Madison Square Park that hot Monday to join in the chorus of demands and grief and to listen to a few carefully selected speakers. Now, who were those speakers? There were, of course, Stephen Wise and Rabbi Miller and Henry Monsky and Judge Proskauer and the usual ingredient of all public Jewish meetings—two or three prominent Gentiles.

I am glad that two or three prominent Gentiles stood under the simmering New York sun that Monday and spoke against the atrocious murder of Jews in Hungary, for the instant opening of the gates of Palestine, for the concerted, immediate aid of the Allies. But I was not impressed.

The sight of a few good-hearted Gentiles at Jewish Demonstration meetings begins to pall a little in this, the tenth year of Jewish suffering.

There is no need to call together tens of thousands (an estimated 70,000) of Jewish workers to demonstrate their feelings regarding the brutalities meted out to Jews in Europe. They are well aware of the facts. They have demonstrated before and will demonstate again. They are the people who raise funds and buy tags and send parcels to relatives. They know. If the actions of the United Nations were in their hands, the Jews of Europe would have been avenged, if not saved, long ago. And there is, after all ,little point to asking Dr. Wise or Mr. Monsky to speak. I heard thir speeches. They are good Jews and Jews in the public eye. We all know what their feelings are. Washington and London know how Dr. Wise and Judge Proskauer feel.

But had that Park been filled with tens of thousands of Christian workers in non-war jobs who had left their shops that afternoon to march in the heat and protest the murder of Jews, I would have been impressed. Had Dr. Wise or Rabbi Miller spoken their familiar words before a giant, all-Gentile audience, it might have sounded like a protest in what dubiously called the "right ears." The public ears in Washington and London.

But is it not between you and me, somewhat pathetic to call thousands of Jews together to protest the tragedy of Hungary? Why should we assemble to protest? This is not our crime and we have protested so often before with no results and Jews in Europe still die in agony.

It is up to the Gentiles, the non-sectarian Gentiles, the man and the woman in the street, the riveters and the mechanics and the tailors and the grocers to protest. It will be their cries of remonstrance and fury that will ring the loudest on Capitol Hill. Not ours.

Let some organization of men and women of goodwill get together 70,000 Gentiles and have them parade through the streets crying the misery of the Jews of Europe. Then I will listen with greater emotion and respect to speeches of congressmen and senators invited as the inevitable ingredient of Jewish meetings.

I stood there in the park and heard the protests and felt sick. For it was a mockery and a farce. We, 70,000 strong, protesting? We, who have wailed our sorrow for the last decade and have not been able to do anything more than secure an audience here, publish an ad there, raise some money, send some parcels. And Gentiles stand on the platform and tell us of our grief. Do they think we do not know?

I am not hitting out at those congressmen and senators who spoke and have spoken before and will speak again. They are true liberals—humanitarians—aware of the shame of the United Nations. They are our friends, have proved themselves such. But the etiquette of protest should not be forgotten. And it is we who should speak to hundreds and thousands of Gentiles and tell them of what has happened, and create in them a sense of corporate responsibility. It is they who should protest now.

As a demonstration of Jewish unity, it was an achievement, I am told. The American Jewish Committee and the Mizrachi and the Hadassah together. Here in New York the national Jewish organizations were pleased with themselves this week. They had stopped wrangling and bickering long enough to collaborate in this meeting, and, I suppose, it was a good thing and an important thing. But think of the humiliation, of the absurdity, of the profound comment on the way Jews run their lives here in this country, when Gentiles for the billionth time in the last years rose up on the platform to tell us that we must protest.

And perhaps, before it is too late, we will see a mass meeting of united Gentile unions and organizations, fraternal, political, religious, social, and then we shall hear Dr. Wise get up and tell them of the burden of torture that the Jews of Europe have carried and it will be a dignified and solemn sight, rather than an affront to the self-respect of every Jew and Jewess in America.

Protest is an important thing. We are protesting to save peoples' lives. If protest can save them, it must be the protest of the majority, not that of the wounded, bereaved minority.

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BY PHINEAS BIRON

YOU SHOULD KNOW

The Fascist elements among Hungarian-Americans will be thoroughly exposed within the next six weeks as a result of quiet investigations. The finds will also show other foreign language groups involved in an astounding anti-Semitic plot. . . . Helen Gahagan, wife of screen star Captain Melvyn Douglas and in her own right an actress, singer and California congressional candidate, became active in political affairs after a concert tour through Central Europe in which she was forbidden to sing songs by Jewish composers and witnessed the social ostracism to which her Jewish accompanist was subjected. After this experience she canceled her outstanding European contracts and determined to do all in her power to prevent similar conditions from arising in this country. . . . Father Ford of the Corpus Christi Catholic Church will soon be the recipient of a great and well-deserved honor from an unexpected quarter. Ford is a Roman Catholic priest who has given much time to a study of the Jewish question.

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FROM THE FIGHTING FRONTS

Privates Michael De Luise and Anthony Aquilina, with our fighting forces in Italy, are most popular with the Jewish boys in their division because of the drastic lesson they taught to one of the boys who in his relations with his Jewish fellow soldiers proved that he didn't know what we are fighting for. From a letter written by Private Michael J. Higgins Jr. shortly before his death in action to columnist E. Sullivan: "Once at a field mass I saw a Jewish friend of mine kneeling in the mud. Afterward I remarked casually to him of my astonishment. His answer was: 'Mike, what kind of religious services you go to over here don't count. What does count is, if I get it next, the boss will know that I tried.'"

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READER'S GUIDE

We do hope that the Warsaw Ghetto Diary now running serially in the Yiddish daily, The Jewish Morning Journal, will be published in English some time soon. The author is a 19-year-old American Jewish girl who lived in Warsaw from the first day of the war through the beginning of 1944. Finally she reached these shores on the Gripsholm, in exchange for five important Nazi prisoners. Her diary reveals some amazing facts about the underground heroes of the ghetto. . . . Bertram Bloch, story editor of Twentieth Century-Fox, has prepared a plan which will give 25 fellowships, each with a $1,500 grant, to would-be writers in our armed forces, to help them tell their stories for possible publication and filming. Frederick Wakeman's successful "Shore Leave" is the result of such a fellowship. . . . Some of the book reviewers have pointed out, in Dimitri Marianoff's book on Einstein, an unfortunate passage containing an anti-Smitic implication. Marianoff, Einstein's son-in-law, is a lovable fellow. A Jew himself and a man on honor, he is incapable of anti-Jewish thinking. The wording of the passage must be due to Marianoff's faulty English. . . . What promises to be a most interesting biography of an artistic institution has been written by Harold Clurman on the Group Theater. Clurman, who was one of the founders of the Group, calls his book "The Fervent Years." . . . Professor Lowdermilk's "Palestine, Land of Promise" is now in its fifth printing. Its British, Hebrew and Yiddish editions are doing equally well.

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STRAWS IN THE WIND

A a recent auction sale held at Stockholm a portrait of Hitler was sold, frame and all, for the sum of on krona—two bits to you. . . . On Broadway they're saying that housepainter Hitler will soon be back on the scaffold, with a rope around his neck. . . . In England they've found an answer to the question of where the Luftwaffe is: It's standing by to take Hitler out of Germany. . . . Then there's the story of the English prison camp where the Nazi prisoners used to watch the robot bombs streak across the sky and shout "Heil Hitler" after each one. Until one of the robots landed a few hundred yards away from the prison. Then the Nazis suddenly became very polite—as they approached the camp commandant to ask for transfer to another location.

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ABOUT PEOPLE

Dr. Stephen S. Wise, who, we must remind you, is a septuagenarian, jumped into the ice-cold waters of Lake Champlain the other day to rescue his grandson, who was having trouble in an uncharted whirlpool. . . . Sam Behrman, one of our brilliant playwrights, whose stage version of "Jacobowsky and the Colonel" is still packing them in, will be leaving for overseas on a special mission. . . . Back in this country is songwriter Irving Berlin, who was overseas with his show, "This Is the Army," for some months, and got the thrills of his life watching our combat troops in Italy enjoy his catchy tunes. . . . The late Max Reinhardt's holdings in Germany and Austria are evaluated at two million dollars, yet his estate here is having difficulties. . . . Maurice Schwartz, dean of the Yiddish theater, vehemently denies the report that ill health may force him to retire and announces that he'll be back on Second avenue after giving some recitals on the coast. . . . Just announced is a new book by Martin Panzer with the tentative title "How to Get a Kick Out of Life."

FIND RELATIVES IN EUROPE—What is virtually an "international bureau of missing persons" has been set up by the Midwest Region of the American Jewish Congress at its Chicago offices, 8 South Dearborn. To date more than 300 Chicago Jewish families have been enabled to learn the whereabouts of their relatives who were evacuated into Russia ahead of the then conquering Nazis. The office staff handling the inquiries is shown above with Frederick C. White, executive director of the Chicago Division, standing left, and Rabbi Asher T. Katz, director of the Midwest Region, standing right, looking on. The Joint Distribution Committee is engaged in the same kind of service. Reading may send inquiries directly to The Post for forwarding to the proper authorities. Rabbi Katz was drowned Monday while swimming near Terre Haute, Ind.

FATHER OVERSEAS, BUT WILL GET TO HEAR SON'S BAR MITZVAH

Special

SYRACUSE, N. Y.—Capt. Ephraim Goldman, overseas with a medical unit, could not attend his son Irving's bar mitzvah, but he will distinctly hear the candidate saying "Today I am a man," and every other detail of the proceedings. Temple Adath Jeshurun, where the event took place, is forwarding a recording of the entire ceremony. It features the captain's son reciting the "Maftir" and an alert listener can even make out the proud sighs of relatives, it is said.

LISBON—A group of 202 Jews who have been interned in German concentration camps arrived is Lisbon this week to be exchanged for Germans held by Britain.

The Jewish broadcast from the Rome Synagogue was recorded by the Army's Psychological Warfare Branch and re-broadcast over its own European radio network.

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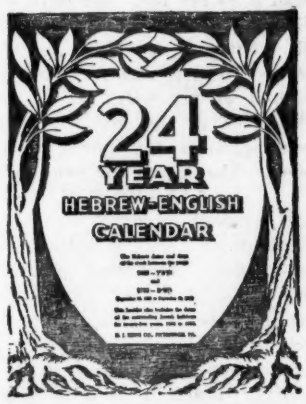

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ANXIOUS PAPA.

Dear Anxious Papa:

I think your wife is acting narrow-minded. We must progress with our children, not stay behind just because we enjoy doing a thing a certain way and which is not the up-to-date way in this country. I admire your wife for loving her country and her tongue but she would do more good for her children and husband if she would speak as they want her to. They are not demanding the impossible for her to do. The children will be more friendly to their mother if she carries on a conversation in English. They no doubt feel the full meaning of the saying: "When in Rome, do as the Romans do." There wil be a happier home life among your family if your wife co-operates and tries to please. She can still be as good a Jewish person as she always thought she was. It will not hinder her in doing good or in thinking good. I really think her main reason for not trying to please the children in this regard is that they have probably disobeyed her in other instances and she wants to act stubborn and make them realize that she is the boss and they can not dictate to her. I am perfectly in agreement with your children and feel that your wife will make her entire family happier by speaking the language she should in this country.

PORTIA.

A decree ordering the reinstatement of Jewish teachers and other employees of the educational system in Italy who were dismissed from their posts under Mussolini's anti-Jewish laws was issued this week by the Italian Minister of Public Instruction.

Dr. William Filderman, president of the Jewish Community in Bucharest, has intervened with the pro-Nazi Rumanian Government for the admission of Jews from Hungary to Rumania in transit Palestine on neutral ships leaving the Rumanian port of Constanza, the office of the Hias-Ica Emigration Association in Lisbon has informed its headquarters in New York.

Between You and Me

By BORIS SMOLAR
Editor-in-Chief, Jewish Telegraphic Agency

The Arab-Jewish Front—We do not know who's behind the Council on Jewish-Arab Cooperation which was formed this month in New York. . . . The name of the chairman, Seymour Melman, means nothing to Jews in this country, nor do the names of the other members of the Council. . . . But we see that the group is a sort of branch of the League for Jewish-Arab Rapprochement which the well meaning H. M. Kalvarisky of Palestine organized years ago in Jerusalem. . . . We remember that about four weeks ago certain leading Arabs in America met with Jews in New York in an attempt to form a body for Arab-Jewish cooperation. . . . Nothing came of this attempt.

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Congress May Act — Congressional circles believe that Congress may soon appeal to Premier Churchill to disregard the White Paper and open Palestine for Jewish immigration. . . . Such an appeal may be expected daily now that Congress has resumed its session. . . . The American League for a Free Palestine, which is opposed by all Zionist groups in this country, is going out of its way to claim credit for the adoption by the Democratic convention of a plank favoring a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine. . . . This claim amuses the Zionist leaders in New York as well as others who know what actually transpired behind the scenes at the Democratic convention.

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Over There—Now that a good part of Poland has been liberated by the Russian army, the problems of reaching Jews remaining there is attracting the attention of interested Jewish groups in America. . . . Jewish organizations are also studying the problem of restitution of Nazi-confiscated property to Jews in Poland. . . . One of the most serious problems is the question of Jewish communal property in the liberated part of Poland. . . . This property, which includes synagogue buildings, cemetery plots, Jewish hospitals and other institutions, amounts to no small sum. . . . A question that arises is: Who is to inherit the Jewish communal wealth in towns where the Nazis have left no Jews alive and where no Jewish communities will probably be established for many years to come. . . . This is aside from the property which the Germans looted and confiscated from individual Jews in Europe and which is estimated to amout to more than 15 billion dollars.

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Prepare for Holy Days—Many consignments of Jewish religious supplies have reached overseas military bases for distribution among American Jewish service men during the forthcoming High Holidays. . . . They include a million Rosh Hashhanah greeting cards forwarded by the Jewish Welfare Board to the men in all branches of the armed forces. . . . Also 50,000 leaflets explaining the significance of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. . . . Also tens of thousands of prayer books, 200 Shofars made in Palestine, and ample stocks of prayer shawls and skull caps.

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Turkish Motifs—Turkey's breaking off relations with Germany will have an effect on Palestine . . . We hear from reliable sources that Turkey may be given a chance to wield considerable influence in affairs of the Middle East as a result of its break with Hitler . . . In short, this could mean that the status of Palestine after the war may be determined by Britain, the United States, Russia and Turkey. . . . It must not be forgotten that Palestine and Syria were part of Turkey prior to World War I before it lost a great section of its territory to Britain and France. . . . It's doubtful whether Turkey will make any claims to these territories now, though just before the outbreak of this war the Turkish government claimed and received a port in Syria.

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Against Federation—One thing, however, is certain: Turkey is definitely against the formation of the projected Pan-Arab Federation, and this may work to the interests of the Jews in Palestine. . . . On the whole, Turkey is not friendly to Zionism. . . . The attitude of the present Turkish regime towards its own Jewish citizens leaves much room for improvement. . . . The special tax on Jews—since revoked—which the present regime introduced after the outbreak of the war ruined many Jewish business men, while others were deported to remote parts of Turkey for failing to pay it.

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COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE

State of Indiana, Marion County, ss:
In the Superior Court of Marion County in the State of Indiana.
No. B-33106.
Claude Reamer vs. Lela Marie Reamer.

Be it known, that on the 1st day of August, 1944, the above named plaintiff, by his attorney, filed in the office of the clerk of the Superior Court of Marion County, in the State of Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendant, Lela Marie Reamer, and the said plaintiff having also filed in said clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person showing that the residence of the defendant, upon diligent inquiry, is unknown, and the defendant, Lela Marie Reamer, Fort Knox, Ky., is not a resident of the State of Indiana, and that said cause of action is for divorce, and that the defendant, Lela Marie Reamer, is a necessary party thereto, and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court and answer or demur thereto on the 28th day of September, 1944.

Now, therefore, by order of said court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against her and that unless she appear and answer or demur thereto at the calling of said cause on the 28th day of September, 1944, the same being the twenty-first judicial day of a term of said court to be begun and held at the Courthouse in the City of Indianapolis on the first Monday in September, 1944, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged will be heard and determined in her absence.

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A Column of Views and Comments

By G. M. COHEN

One of the most provoking articles I've ever read, (and I would prefer that you provide the adjectives) is "To My People" by Edmund B. Jonathan in the July issue of Liberal Judaism, organ of the Reform movement. I am going to quote from it rather extensively, in order to give you the color and the tone of it.

"We must also have the candor and courage," Mr. Jonathan (I can't find out who he is) writes, "to admit that the physical unattractiveness of many in our Jewish group is part of our problem. This is by no means to say that we have a monopoly of undesirable types. But the centuries of persecution and suffering have taken their physiological and neurological toll among us in all too numerous instances. Then again, in our traditional reverence for piety and learning, we have for generations bred to brains, with little thought of brawn or beauty, thus affecting our physical make-up for the worse. Further, throughout the ages many of our more attractive physical types have been lost to us through apostasy and intermarriage—a tendency continuing today.

"Another obstacle to the solution of our problem is our deliberate maintenance in some areas of habits differing from our neighbors! . . . in holding to Saturday as the Sabbath and in conducting business 'as usual' on Sunday in certain parts of this country and abroad. For all its splendid work on other occasions, did one of our national organizations show proper consideration for the public in moving to eliminate Saturday classes in our state normal schools? . . .

"Why is it that we see such a threat to ourselves in intermarriage? Speaking generally, this is an age of enlightenment—and ours is a beautiful religion. Why, then, can we not take others into our fold through intermarriage? Our religion offers much as a faith. It has no doctrine of original sin. It preaches no duality of good and evil, no superstition of God and the devil. It requires no intervention between man and his Creator. Surely we have much here to attract the outsider.

"My own feeling is that if we are to ask for full toleration and social acceptance, we must come to regard some measure of intermarriage as a perfectly normal and natural thing. And I go further: I believe a combination of Jewish brain and Gentile brawn offers much. Properly viewed and carried out, intermarriage should not threaten whatever is desirable and worthy of survival in Israel. An acceptance of this viewpoint is absolutely essential, in my opinion, to any real improvement in our relations with our neighbors. Far too often, even in these enlightened times, Gentiles are battled and rebuffed by our failure to regard marriage as a normal outgrowth of affection, even in many instances where they themselves interpose no objection whatever to an acceptance of our faith.

"As a second step in solving our problem, Israel owes itself the duty of making Judaism better understood. The "Message of Israel" over the air in this country, the hospitality of our temples to the general public, the work of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, all these and similar efforts, are excellent steps to this end. Such efforts should be extended in all directions possible. Unfortunately, the world does not regard the peculiar essence of our creed, our ethical monotheism, as our own heritage—we have tended, for one reason or another, to keep our religion to ourselves. For our best interest, not only should our religious services be conducted for the most part in the language of the country; our effort should be to make all of our ritual intelligible to the general public. We can create much good-will by generating an understanding both of our doctrines and our ceremonies.

"But our efforts toward understanding would fall short if stopped there. Those old customs which set us apart from our neighbors, but which are not absolutely essential to our fundamental faith we should discard in intelligent self-interest. What can and cannot be discarded, Jews of various shades of Orthodoxy must decide for themselves. But throughout this whole task the thought uppermost must be the common good. Have we not the oncoming generations to think of? Have we not been strangers too long?

"Finally, for the solution of our problem, we must aim to make friends among Gentiles everywhere possible. From toleration to liking may seem a big jump; but differences between people, provided they are not basic, can generate a surprising amount of common interest and attraction. It will not suffice for us merely to be understood; we must be known and liked. This is, of course, the most difficult assignment of all. But in the long run, and at some respectable level in the social scale, it should be possible for most of us to attract friends. True, we may not be able to rate the particular company to which we aspire, but we have to make a beginning. In this it will be found that every Jew must be on his own; we cannot spread these friendships thin at the start. Much tact will be required; forcing will not do. But gradually Israel can make more and more friends, if Israel so wills.

"In the last analysis, nothing here written really departs much from a common sense viewpoint already instinctively accepted and tacitly acted on by thousands in Israel. I have faith that progress is being made all the time. But, in my opinion, the solution of our problem can be brought about more surely and more quickly if we of Israel work together consciously and in unison along the lines indicated. I wonder how many others may share my view?"

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I suppose I should have known better, but it wasn't until I read Dr. Francis MacMahon's column in The New York Post that I found out that Sewell Avery, he of the Montgomery Ward & Co. notoriety, was bitten by the anti-Semitic germ. Since most of our readers know Dr. MacMahon, I'll just quote from his column:

"Another example of this vicious technique occurred not so long ago. It concerns Sewell Avery, chairman of the board of Montgomery Ward & Co. With his customary social irresponsibility Avery was denouncing the conciliation service of the government, which had sought to settle the trouble at Ward's plant in Chicago. The government representative, Msgr. Francis J. Haas (now Catholic bishop of Grand Rapids, Mich.) was refused even an interview by plant officials.

"'The conciliation service is a crooked, cheating, dishonest thing,' said Avery to a Philadelphia reporter last May. 'When Msgr. Haas, as a fake conciliator, comes out to bring the spiritual element into a racketeering situation . . . as a matter of fact (he overlooks that) most of these unioneers aren't even members of Msgr. Haas' church. They're mostly of Egyptian extraction.' (Avery explained that by people of 'Egyptian extraction' he means Jews.)

"Is it only a coincidence that an isolationist like Hamilton Fish and an economic reactionary like Sewell Avery are also anti-Semitic? Or is there a common pattern running through it all? I am pretty sure there is. I am pretty sure that on that pattern you will find traced the international swastika, the sign of both the conscious and the unconscious traitor."

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I have been shown a copy of the July 7 issue of The Jewish Chronicle of London, with my attention called to the death notices. They are divided into two parts, one merely headed "deaths" and the second "on active service." But under the "deaths" section there are eight listed as killed "by enemy action". Percy Simmons, who showed me the paper, explained that these were deaths due to airplane bombs (of which there are practically none now) or robot bombs. Since there were only 24 deaths listed in the issue, the percentage is surprisingly large. In the "active service" section, there were only three deaths listed, which is a revealing comparison

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I was rather amazed at an editorial in The Advocate of Chicago, of last week which comments on a letter written by James G. McDonald to the New York Times in which is made "the rather startling revelation that as far back as March 31, 1933, or three months after Adolph Hitler's succession to power, the Nazi-planned extermination of the Jews was personally known to him . . . " The editorial then goes on to question why McDonald did not make these facts known, and observes that "like so many another naive liberal, he did not suspect the gathering storm. . . . "

It so happens that I reported in The Post of Dec. 4, 1936 a speech made by Mr. McDonald opening the Allied Jewish Campaign in Louisville. Here is what McDonald, who was then editor of the New York Times, said in part: "Jews of the world, and especially of the United States, do not want to realize what Hitler is doing to one great section of Jewry because it means they may have to make a real sacrifice. I cannot understand how Jews can be so indifferent to what is happening in Germany."

According to my write-up then Mr. McDonald recounted how he told Jewish leaders that German Jewry was being destroyed, but was not able to stir these men out of their complacence. I have never heard a Jewish audience so talked to, either before or since. Mr. McDonald declared then that the Jews could not count on help from non-Jews in their struggle against Nazism. "My deepest disappointment he said was my inability to reach the Gentiles with my message of the situation of the Jews of Germany. The Gentiles spoke nice words, but when it comes to action they could not be depended on to help at all. Jews must fight their own battle."

In an editorial in The Post the following week, I wrote: "Mincing no words, but with a frankness that in any other situation would have been disarming, Mr. McDonald calmly and dispassionately told Jews that they have fallen down in the German crisis, that they do not take care of their own, and that practically all of them are refusing to admit the seriousness of the Nazi menace because it will mean they will have to make a sacrifice."

Certainly an apology is due Mr. McDonald. The charge could be made against almost anyone but him. His was a voice crying in the wilderness. He tried to awaken U. S. Jewry to the Nazi peril and

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AL SEGAL *Speaks On* Ghetto-Builders

AT TIMES your correspondent feels awfully distressed on account of Jews among whom are some of his best friends, as the saying is. In those moments of being distressed and even irritable, he should like to take some Jews over his knee for a spanking.

He is in such a mood at this moment and should like nothing better than to lay over his knee some of the Jews in his own town. But he must be content to let his emotions out by pounding the matter on his typewriter, as he is now doing.

What, he asks, can these Jews be thinking of? Making new ghettoes for themselves! Building new walls of separation! Setting themselves apart from the common life and thus doing to themselves what the anti-Semites would do to them!

Your correspondent wouldn't bother you who live in other towns with the odd doings of this group of Jews in our town but for the fact that they are not unique. Everywhere there are groups of Jews who, impelled by tragic events, would isolate Jewish life behind ghetto walls of their own building.

These meditations derive from something startling your correspondent has just read in the local daily press. The news item reported that a group of Jews has organized for the purpose of establishing a Jewish parochial school.

This is to say they plan a separate school for Jewish children where they shall be taught reading, writing and arithmetic as well as Hebrew subjects. These children will be taken out of the public schools and in the shelter of the Jewish parochial school they will be brought up quarantined from contact with the common life.

(Already there exist such parochial schools in several of the larger cities.)

To your correspondent this news seemed almost unbelievable when he read it. Goodness gracious, he thought, isn't this exactly what Hitler did to Jewish children in Germany when he started out? Jewish children, he said, may not associate with Aryan children in the schools. The Jews must have separate schools, just as they must have separate restaurants and must sit on separate benches in the parks and sit apart in the street cars. Jewish children must have no contact with Aryan life.

To enforce the separation he ordered ghettoes established. Jews might not live as neighbors of Aryans. If necessity compelled them to walk on Aryan streets they must separate themselves from the traffic by wearing yellow Stars of David on their sleeves.

We all felt horribly humiliated when Hitler did these things to Jews, and so it was quite incredible to your correspondent to read that Jews were taking steps to put their children in an educational ghetto.

Yet he really shouldn't have felt as shocked as he did. He had been observing for some time a separatistic tendency among Jews—an acquiescence to the segregation that anti-Semites would impose upon them: Yes, if they don't want us we'll just crawl into our hole and pull the hole in after us.

The leading non-Jewish spokesman for the separatists recently has published a book in which he makes light of the idea that Jews have a right to live and work and grow up and prosper anywhere. He likens the Jew to the cuckoo that lays its eggs in other birds' nests. Jews, he believes, should build their own special nest to lay their eggs in. He is a man most friendly to the Jews.

Everywhere among Jews there is an aspiration toward a special, exclusive place for Jews to live in—somewhere far off from the main lines of the traffic of the world.

Your correspondent is not a fellow who gets angry at the ghetto-builders. He is much more sad than angry. He spanks them only softly. He understands men seeking escape from a tragic hour; they may even, in their haste, seek the very kind of refuge their enemies would build for them!

He himself is not running along, though. He knows that ghetto-building is but a manifestation of the moment's fears. He intends to keep his faith in a world made good by justice; a world from which no man or group of men need run away in fear.

He believes that he, as a member of the brotherhood, may not separate himself from it; he must go along. Stones may be thrown at him and his head may bleed but he is going along with all men of good will, of whatever race or faith, to do something about the common world to make it good.

He is not going to retreat to a corner of the earth. He is not going to build a ghetto around himself. He challenges ghettoes whether built for him by his enemies or built by Jews.

He knows of the great and good life the Jews made in his home-town during 100 years. They were never ghetto people. Their lives touch every angle of the life of the whole community—its politics, its culture, its philanthropy. They were honored men in the high places of the community; their sons and grandsons also are honored men. They remained Jews devoted to Jewish life; your correspondent believes they were the better Jews for having brought their Jewish idealism to the good of the whole community.

This is the kind of Jewish life your correspondent believes in. As for the Jewish parochial school he suggests to its sponsors that they forget about it and allow their children to grow up by the democratic process. The democratic process is the best way for people to learn to know each other. Only by knowledge can the light penetrate the darkness where prejudices fester. Certainly, you don't get rid of maggots by running away from them.—(Copyright, 1944, Seven Arts Feature Syndicate.)

The Chicago Jewish Welfare Fund will receive $1,500,000 from the 1944 campaign of the Chicago Community and War Fund, an increase of $300,000 over the 1943 allocation.

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Jewish Encyclopedia Criticized for Errors

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NEW YORK — The Universal Jewish Encyclopedia is criticised severly as being poorly edited and containing dozens of mistakes, especially in the field of Talmudics, in an article by Rabbi David Shapiro of Indianapolis in the current issue of Bitzaron, Hebrew monthly magazine. Rabbi Shapiro also takes exception to the distorted accounts of Jewish communities in America.

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the need for some drastic counter measures. His effort was noble if unavailing. So that The Advocate editorial writer must "eat" such words as these: ". . . why did McDonald wait all these years to make the facts known, why not have revealed them earlier when knowing what was in the gangster's foul mind, thousands might have been saved?"

"BY THE WAY—do not anticipate trouble, nor worry about what may never happen. Keep in the sunlight," said Benjamin Franklin.

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